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TO: STATE REHABILITATION AGENCIES (GENERAL)
STATE REHABILITATION AGENCIES (BLIND)
ASSISTANT REGIONAL DIRECTORS, OHD
DIRECTORS, ORS

SUBJECT: Types of Occupations at Closure for Clients Rehabilitated
by State Rehabilitation Agencies in Fiscal Years 1973 and 1974

CONTENT: The employment of handicapped individuals is the main
goal of the State-Federal Program of Vocational
Rehabilitation. Until the disabled client is placed into
gainful, suitable and satisfying employment, rehabilitation
cannot be considered complete.

The present report displays 59 occupational categories into
which persons were rehabilitated during Fiscal Years 1973
and 1974, on a national basis. These occupations span the
gamut of employment activity and reflect differences in the
skills, work experience, needs and impairments of the clients
themselves.

The 59 occupations are displayed under three very broad
headings. They are: industrial occupations which now
encompass about two of every six rehabilitated clients;
non-industrial occupations, accounting for three rehabili-
tations in six; and all other occupations such as home-
making, unpaid family work and certain kinds of sheltered
workshop work not classifiable elsewhere. This third
broad category is uniquely recognized by the rehabilitation
program and includes about one rehabilitated client in
every six.

The data for this report were obtained from computer
tabulations of Form RSA-300 information. They do not
appear to reflect the influx of growing numbers of the
severely disabled into State agency caseloads.

Andrew J. Adams
Commissioner of Rehabilitation Services

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TYPES OF OCCUPATIONS AT CLOSURE FOR CLIENTS REHABILITATED BY STATE
REHABILITATION AGENCIES IN FISCAL YEARS 1973 AND 1974
(Statistical Note No. 44)

Table 1 - Trends: Fiscal Year 1967 to Fiscal Year 1974

- 1) The proportions of rehabilitated clients falling into the occupational categories listed in Table 1 varied gradually during the Fiscal Year 1967 to Fiscal Year 1974 period.
- 2) Unskilled industrial occupations, currently the single largest broad category of placement for rehabilitated clients, displayed the most growth during the eight-year period, rising from 16.9 percent in Fiscal Year 1967 to 20.6 percent in Fiscal Year 1974.
- 3) Meanwhile, the proportion of service occupations (now the second most common source of employment for rehabilitated clients) dropped from 23.4 percent in Fiscal Year 1967 to 20.4 percent in Fiscal Year 1974.
- 4) These opposing trends in service and unskilled industrial occupations were mainly responsible for the growth in industrial occupations relative to non-industrial occupations. In Fiscal Year 1967, the ratio of industrial to non-industrial occupations stood at 0.55 to 1; by Fiscal Year 1974, it was 0.69 to 1.
- 5) Placements into professional, technical and managerial occupations generally increased during the period, reaching its highest proportion in Fiscal Year 1972 (11.2 percent).
- 6) In Fiscal Year 1971 homemakers reached their highest level of representation among total rehabilitations (15.8 percent) for the eight-year period. Since then, the proportion of homemakers has declined, standing at 13.6 percent in 1974. This downtrend may soon be halted, however, as increasing numbers of the severely disabled enter State agency caseloads. It is presumed that relatively fewer of the severely disabled can be placed into the competitive labor market than has been the case among the non-severely disabled. Therefore, occupations like homemaking and unpaid family work should begin to rise in prominence when Fiscal Year 1975 data become available.
- 7) Further trends for other occupations are shown in Table 1. For instance, clerical jobs accounted for 11.0 percent of the placements of rehabilitated clients in Fiscal Year 1974, up from a low of 9.9 percent in Fiscal Year 1972. The percentages of sales and semi-skilled industrial occupations both stayed around the 4 percent mark during the eight-year period, the former a little above 4 percent and the latter a little below that level. Farming occupations declined steadily from 4.7 percent in Fiscal Year 1967 to 2.9 percent in Fiscal Year 1974. Skilled industrial occupations exhibited an irregularly higher share of all the jobs of rehabilitated clients, growing from 8.6 percent in Fiscal Year 1967 to 9.5 percent in Fiscal Year 1974.

Table 2 - Detailed Occupational Listing

- 1) Perhaps most noteworthy feature of the list of 59 occupations found in Table 2 is the diversity of these occupations into which rehabilitated clients were placed in Fiscal Years 1973 and 1974. This variety is necessarily reflective of the differing abilities, experiences, needs and impairments exhibited by handicapped clients.
- 2) Service occupations accounted for 20.4 percent of the placements in Fiscal Year 1974, and 20.9 percent in Fiscal Year 1973. Leading among the service occupations and accounting for more than 10,000 rehabilitations in both years were food and beverage preparation, miscellaneous personal service, building service and domestic service. Occupations in food and beverage preparation (which exceeded 19,000 in both years) led all other non-industrial categories in volume of placements.
- 3) In Fiscal Year 1974, 10.6 percent of the rehabilitated clients, compared to 10.1 percent in Fiscal Year 1973, were placed into professional, technical and managerial jobs. Occupations in the fields of education (more than 6,000 rehabilitations in both years) and medicine and health (more than 5,000 rehabilitations in both years) led the professional category.
- 4) Homemaking was one of the leading types of occupations, accounting for 13.6 percent of the rehabilitated persons in Fiscal Year 1974, and 14.0 percent in Fiscal Year 1973. Although homemaking is not a paid occupation, it is often directly or indirectly related to the economic improvement of the rehabilitated client. As mentioned earlier, the growing share of the severely disabled among all clients can be expected to lead to increasing numbers of homemaker rehabilitations in the near future.
- 5) Working in clerical jobs were 11.0 percent of the rehabilitated population in Fiscal Year 1974, and 10.3 percent in Fiscal Year 1973. Stenography-typing-filing showed the largest representation in this category, over 13,000 cases in both years, followed by computing and account-recording, about 10,000 in both years.

Table 1 -Number and percent distribution, by main categories of occupation at closure, of clients who were rehabilitated during
Fiscal Years 1967 to 1974.

OCCUPATION	FISCAL YEAR						1967					
	1974 No.	1974 %	1973 No.	1973 %	1972 No.	1972 %	1971 No.	1971 %	1970 No.	1970 %	1969 No.	1969 %
TOTAL REHABILITATIONS	361,138	---	360,726	---	326,138	---	291,272	---	266,975	---	241,390	---
TOTAL REPORTING OCCUPATION	333,401	100.0	333,045	100.0	304,030	100.0	257,362	100.0	255,735	100.0	237,233	100.0
NON-INDUSTRIAL OCCUPATIONS	163,789	49.1	162,896	48.9	155,710	49.9	139,893	50.9	131,559	51.4	122,319	51.6
Professional, technical, managerial	35,407	10.6	33,774	10.1	33,901	11.2	27,497	10.7	24,512	9.6	21,508	9.1
Clerical	36,541	11.0	34,424	10.3	39,467	9.9	26,630	10.3	29,446	11.5	27,647	11.7
Sales	14,006	4.2	14,512	4.4	13,118	4.3	10,686	4.2	10,575	4.1	9,575	4.0
Service	68,019	20.4	69,705	20.9	64,380	21.2	56,435	21.9	57,809	22.6	54,653	23.0
Farming, fishing	9,816	2.9	10,481	3.1	10,144	3.3	9,645	3.7	9,247	3.6	8,936	3.8
INDUSTRIAL OCCUPATIONS	112,692	33.8	112,321	33.7	94,307	31.0	75,615	29.4	77,991	30.5	72,256	30.5
Skilled	31,564	9.5	31,914	9.6	26,966	8.9	21,664	8.4	22,063	8.6	20,571	8.7
Semi-skilled	12,357	3.7	12,143	3.7	10,517	3.5	8,487	3.3	9,255	3.6	8,164	3.6
Unskilled	68,771	20.6	67,964	20.4	56,824	18.7	45,464	17.7	46,673	18.3	43,221	18.2
OTHER OCCUPATIONS	56,920	17.1	57,828	17.4	58,033	19.1	50,854	19.8	46,185	18.1	42,658	18.0
Homemaker (own home)	45,444	13.6	46,592	14.0	46,787	15.4	40,569	15.8	36,576	14.3	33,608	14.2
Unpaid family worker (own family)	4,701	1.4	5,125	1.6	5,893	1.9	6,327	2.5	5,942	2.3	5,138	2.3
All other workers 1/	6,775	2.0	5,811	1.7	5,333	1.7	3,958	1.5	3,667	1.4	3,612	1.5

1/ Includes sheltered workshop workers not classifiable in regular occupational groupings.

Table 2 --Number and percent distribution, by specific types of occupation at closure, of clients who were rehabilitated during Fiscal Years 1973 and 1974

Occupation	Fiscal Year 1974		Fiscal Year 1973	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TOTAL REHABILITATIONS	361,138	--	360,726	--
TOTAL REPORTING OCCUPATION	333,401	100.0	333,045	100.0
NON-INDUSTRIAL OCCUPATIONS	163,789	49.1	162,896	48.9
PROFESSIONAL, TECHNICAL, MANAGERIAL	35,407	10.6	33,774	10.1
Architecture and engineering	3,698	1.1	3,457	1.0
Mathematics and physical sciences	948	0.3	811	0.2
Life sciences	1,694	0.5	1,682	0.5
Social sciences	152	*	152	*
Medicine and health	5,570	1.7	5,050	1.5
Education	6,428	1.9	6,425	1.9
Museum, library and archival sciences	385	0.1	403	0.1
Law and jurisprudence	368	0.1	354	0.1
Religion and theology	655	0.2	587	0.2
Writing	423	0.1	428	0.1
Art	1,322	0.4	1,191	0.4
Entertainment and recreation	1,359	0.4	1,315	0.4
Administrative specializations	3,765	1.1	3,508	1.1
Vending stand operator	576	0.2	544	0.2
Managers and officials n.e.c.	5,442	1.6	5,063	1.5
Miscellaneous	2,622	0.8	2,864	0.8
CLERICAL	36,541	11.0	34,424	10.3
Stenography, typing, and filing	13,917	4.2	13,397	4.0
Computing and account-recording	10,665	3.2	9,711	2.9
Material and product recording	5,786	1.7	5,664	1.7
Information and message distribution	4,323	1.3	3,868	1.2
Miscellaneous	1,850	0.6	1,784	0.5

Table 2 --Number and percent distribution, by specific types of occupation at closure, of clients rehabilitated during Fiscal Years 1973 and 1974
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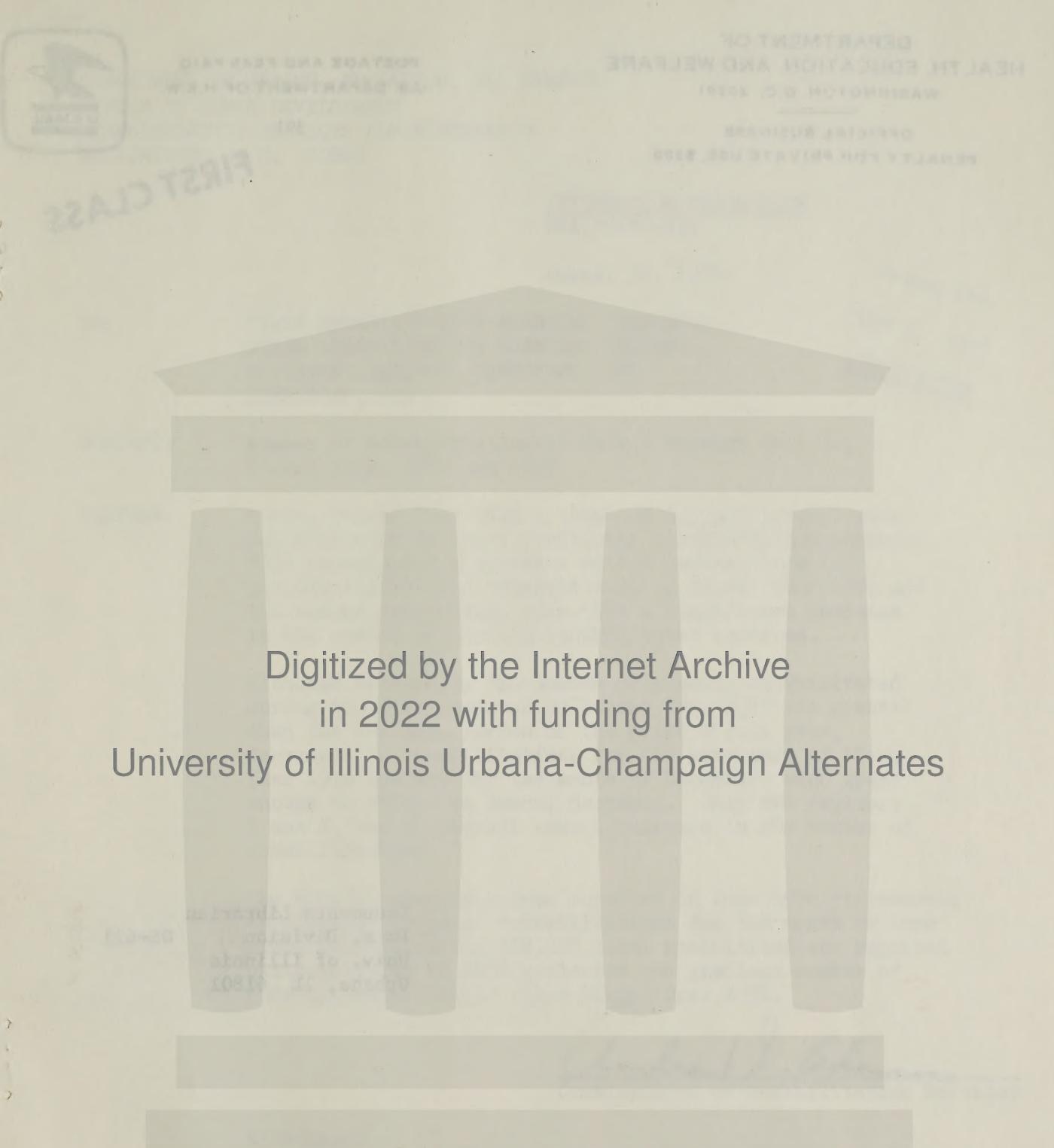
Occupation	Fiscal Year 1974		Fiscal Year 1973	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
SALES	14,006	4.2	14,512	4.4
Salesmen, services	1,419	0.4	1,525	0.5
Salesmen, salespersons	6,194	1.9	6,518	2.0
Merchandising	6,267	1.9	6,287	1.9
Vending stand clerk	126	*	182	0.1
SERVICE	68,019	20.4	69,705	20.9
Domestic service	10,045	3.0	11,004	3.3
Food and beverage preparation	19,455	5.8	19,591	5.9
Lodging	3,537	1.1	3,250	1.0
Barbering and cosmetology	4,168	1.3	4,556	1.4
Amusement and recreation	435	0.1	433	0.1
Miscellaneous personal service	11,770	3.5	11,198	3.4
Apparel and furnishings	4,709	1.4	5,330	1.6
Protective service	3,423	1.0	3,693	1.1
Building	10,477	3.1	10,650	3.2
FARMING, FISHERY	9,816	2.9	10,481	3.1
Plant farming	3,637	1.1	3,813	1.1
Animal farming	1,111	0.3	1,221	0.4
Miscellaneous farming	4,462	1.3	4,899	1.5
Fishery	261	0.1	246	0.1
Forestry	133	*	144	*
Hunting and trapping	24	*	30	*
Agricultural service	138	*	128	*

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Occupation	Fiscal Year 1974		Fiscal Year 1973	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
INDUSTRIAL OCCUPATIONS	112,692	33.8	112,321	33.7
SKILLED	31,564	9.5	31,914	9.6
Processing	688	0.2	688	0.2
Machine trades	11,517	3.5	11,676	3.5
Bench work	5,499	1.6	5,441	1.6
Structural	11,656	3.5	11,968	3.6
Miscellaneous	2,204	0.7	2,141	0.6
SEMI-SKILLED	12,357	3.7	12,443	3.7
Processing	1,137	0.3	1,190	0.4
Machine trades	3,065	0.9	3,098	0.9
Bench work	3,693	1.1	3,678	1.1
Structural	2,285	0.7	2,381	0.7
Miscellaneous	2,177	0.7	2,096	0.6
UNSKILLED	68,771	20.6	67,964	20.4
Processing	10,307	3.1	9,791	2.9
Machine trades	6,351	1.9	6,287	1.9
Bench work	12,971	3.9	12,512	3.8
Structural	17,401	5.2	17,237	5.2
Miscellaneous	21,741	6.5	22,137	6.6
OTHER OCCUPATIONS	56,920	17.1	57,828	17.4
Homemaker (own home)	45,444	13.6	46,592	14.0
Unpaid family worker (own family)	4,701	1.4	5,425	1.6
All other workers 1/	6,775	2.0	5,811	1.7

* Less than 0.05 percent

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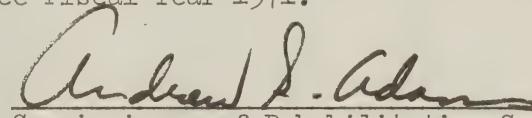
TO: STATE REHABILITATION AGENCIES (GENERAL)
STATE REHABILITATION AGENCIES (BLIND)
ASSISTANT REGIONAL DIRECTORS, OHD
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SUBJECT: Number of Rehabilitations: July 1 through June 30,
Fiscal Years 1975 and 1976

CONTENT: During Fiscal Year 1976 a total of 303,328 persons were
rehabilitated by State vocational rehabilitation agencies.
This represented a decrease of 6.4 percent from the
324,039 individuals rehabilitated in Fiscal Year 1975 and
the second consecutive year that a significant decrease
in the number of persons rehabilitated occurred.

Although Nationally the number of persons rehabilitated
during the first quarter of Fiscal Year 1976 was greater
than for the same period of the prior fiscal year,
decreases in rehabilitations for the remainder of Fiscal
Year 1976 (except for the month of December) were great
enough to effect an annual decrease. Only two regions,
I and X, had an overall annual increase in the number of
rehabilitations.

The 43,379 rehabilitations reported in June 1976 represented
the lowest number of rehabilitations for the month of June
since 1969 while the 303,328 total rehabilitations reported
nationally for FY 1976 reflected the smallest number of
persons rehabilitated since Fiscal Year 1971.



Andrew J. Adams
Commissioner of Rehabilitation Services

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Table 1 --Number of rehabilitations in State vocational rehabilitation agencies,
Fiscal Years 1975 and 1976

Region and agency	Total rehabilitations		Percent change (3)	
	Fiscal Year			
	1976 (1)	1975 (2)		
U.S. Total.....	303,328	324,039	- 6.4	
Region I.....	12,155	12,067	+ 0.7	
Connecticut.....	2,141	2,136	+ 0.2	
Maine.....	887	748	+18.6	
Massachusetts.....	5,187	5,257	- 1.3	
New Hampshire.....	1,146	1,157	- 1.0	
Rhode Island.....	1,461	1,366	+ 7.0	
Vermont.....	693	758	- 8.6	
*Connecticut.....	151	128	+18.0	
*Maine.....	96	104	- 7.7	
*Massachusetts.....	286	312	- 8.3	
*Rhode Island.....	107	101	+ 5.9	
Region II.....	24,855	27,239	- 8.8	
New Jersey.....	8,301	8,419	- 1.4	
New York.....	8,843	11,645	-24.1	
Puerto Rico.....	6,040	5,618	+ 7.5	
Virgin Islands.....	72	89	-19.1	
*New Jersey.....	370	386	- 4.1	
*New York.....	1,229	1,082	+13.6	
Region III.....	45,736	52,251	-12.5	
Delaware.....	902	1,083	-16.7	
District of Columbia.....	1,731	3,000	-42.3	
Maryland.....	6,107	8,414	-27.4	
Pennsylvania.....	21,258	21,866	- 2.8	
Virginia.....	8,875	9,139	- 2.9	
West Virginia.....	5,358	7,092	-24.5	
*Delaware.....	22	31	-29.0	
*Pennsylvania.....	45	983	-14.8	
*Virginia.....	638	643	- 0.8	
Region IV.....	78,728	82,060	- 4.1	
Alabama.....	9,213	9,502	- 3.0	
Florida.....	8,778	10,262	-14.5	
Georgia.....	9,661	9,060	+ 6.6	
Kentucky.....	9,276	10,722	-13.5	
Mississippi.....	6,187	6,088	+ 1.6	
North Carolina.....	13,151	13,451	- 2.2	
South Carolina.....	11,900	13,143	- 9.5	
Tennessee.....	7,459	7,498	- 0.5	
*Florida.....	623	b/	--	
*Mississippi.....	527	442	+19.2	
*North Carolina.....	1,184	1,150	+ 3.0	
*South Carolina.....	355	329	+ 7.9	
*Tennessee.....	414	413	+ 0.2	
Region V.....	41,140	44,455	- 7.5	
Illinois.....	10,205	9,011	+13.3	
Indiana.....	3,403	3,238	+ 5.1	
Michigan.....	8,236	8,990	- 8.4	
Minnesota.....	5,212	6,337	-17.8	
Ohio.....	8,119	10,352	-21.6	
Wisconsin.....	5,295	5,851	- 9.5	
*Michigan.....	291	330	-11.8	
*Minnesota.....	379	346	+ 9.5	

See footnotes at end of table.

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Table 1 - Number of rehabilitations in State vocational rehabilitation agencies,
Fiscal Years 1975 and 1976

Region and agency	Total rehabilitations		Percent change (3)	
	Fiscal Year			
	1976 (1)	1975 (2)		
Region VI.....	49,310	52,178	- 5.5	
Arkansas.....	4,902	5,276	- 7.1	
Louisiana.....	7,216	7,024	+ 2.7	
New Mexico.....	1,741	1,666	+ 4.5	
Oklahoma.....	8,551	8,326	+ 2.7	
Texas.....	23,318	26,154	-10.8	
*Arkansas.....	178	234	-23.9	
*Louisiana.....	196	178	+10.1	
*Texas.....	3,208	3,320	- 3.4	
Region VII.....	14,860	16,368	- 9.2	
Iowa.....	2,937	4,634	-36.6	
Kansas.....	2,864	2,177	+31.6	
Missouri.....	7,001	7,316	- 4.3	
Nebraska.....	1,327	1,399	- 5.1	
*Iowa.....	143	142	+ 0.7	
*Kansas.....	136	141	- 3.5	
*Missouri.....	252	301	-16.3	
*Nebraska.....	200	258	-22.5	
Region VIII.....	9,436	10,298	- 8.4	
Colorado.....	1,975	2,427	-18.6	
Montana.....	1,234	1,424	-13.3	
North Dakota.....	1,293	1,373	- 5.8	
South Dakota.....	935	1,187	-21.2	
Utah.....	3,234	3,247	- 0.4	
Wyoming.....	673	538	+25.1	
*Montana.....	92	102	- 9.8	
Region IX.....	17,615	18,308	- 3.8	
Arizona.....	1,413	1,181	+19.6	
California.....	14,522	15,537	- 6.5	
Guam.....	60	65	- 7.7	
Hawaii.....	557	541	+ 3.0	
Nevada.....	866	812	+ 6.7	
Trust Territory.....	9	16	-43.8	
*Arizona.....	81	74	+ 9.5	
*Nevada.....	107	82	+30.5	
Region X.....	9,493	8,815	+ 7.7	
Alaska.....	521	588	-11.4	
Idaho.....	1,162	1,282	- 9.4	
Oregon.....	3,167	2,379	+33.1	
Washington.....	4,367	4,268	+ 2.3	
*Idaho.....	51	50	+ 2.0	
*Oregon.....	113	99	+14.1	
*Washington.....	112	149	-24.8	

a/ Figures not strictly comparable. Blind agency data included in FY 1975, but excluded in FY 1976.

b/ Blind agency did not report separately in FY 1975.

* Blind agency

Table 2 --Number of persons rehabilitated each month and percent change, Fiscal Years 1975 and 1976

Month	Number of rehabilitations		Percent change
	1976	Fiscal Year 1975	
July	12,828	11,645	+10.2
August	20,312	16,499	+23.1
September	23,651	21,381	+10.6
October	24,792	25,952	- 4.5
November	25,408	26,750	- 5.0
December	30,694	25,823	+18.9
January	23,950	29,972	-20.1
February	23,717	25,614	- 7.4
March	25,258	28,537	-11.5
April	23,659	28,805	-17.9
May	25,680	32,021	-19.8
June	43,379	51,040	-15.0
Year to date	303,328	324,039	- 6.4

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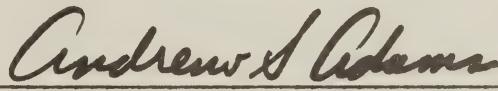
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TO: STATE REHABILITATION AGENCIES (GENERAL)
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SUBJECT: Number of Rehabilitations: July 1 to July 31, 1975 and 1976

CONTENT: In July, 1976, the first month of the transitional budget period, State agencies rehabilitated 14,344 persons, an increase of eight percent over the 13,281 rehabilitations recorded in July, 1975. Gains in seven of the ten regions were reported.

Prior to July, 1976, the last month when there were more rehabilitations than in the same month in the previous year was December, 1975. In only two of the last ten months, were rehabilitations greater than in the same month one year earlier. It is much too early to determine whether the July, 1976 results signal a trend toward increases in rehabilitations relative to the prior year.



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Number of rehabilitations in State vocational rehabilitation agencies,
July 1 through July 31, 1975 and 1976

Region and agency.	Total rehabilitations		Percent change (3)
	July 1976 (1)	July 1975 (2)	
Region VI.....	2,325	2,790	- 16.7
Arkansas.....	451	472	- 4.4
Louisiana.....	300	664	- 54.8
New Mexico.....	41	58	- 29.3
Oklahoma.....	130	287	- 54.7
Texas.....	1,295	1,105	+ 17.2
*Arkansas.....	12	13	- 7.7
*Louisiana.....	6	6	0
*Texas.....	90	185	- 51.4
Region VII.....	676	787	- 14.1
Iowa.....	38	109	- 65.1
Kansas.....	184	220	- 16.4
Missouri.....	364	385	- 5.5
Nebraska.....	81	53	+ 52.8
*Iowa.....	3	2	<u>a/</u>
*Kansas.....	6	2	<u>a/</u>
*Missouri.....	0	0	---
*Nebraska.....	0	16	- 100.0
Region VIII.....	460	354	+ 29.9
Colorado.....	193	110	+ 75.5
Montana.....	24	31	- 22.6
North Dakota.....	38	29	+ 31.0
South Dakota.....	30	14	+ 114.3
Utah.....	124	131	- 5.3
Wyoming.....	39	20	+ 95.0
*Montana.....	12	19	- 36.8
Region IX.....	1,022	585	+ 74.7
Arizona.....	10	32	- 68.8
California.....	935	476	+ 96.4
Guam.....	3	1	<u>a/</u>
Hawaii.....	40**	40	0
Nevada.....	20	21	- 4.8
Trust Territory.....	1**	3	<u>a/</u>
*Arizona.....	1	1	0
*Nevada.....	12	11	+ 9.1
Region X.....	1,169	822	+ 42.2
Alaska.....	25	25	0
Idaho.....	64	34	+ 88.2
Oregon.....	303	219	+ 38.4
Washington.....	764	539	+ 41.7
*Idaho.....	2	0	---
*Oregon.....	0	0	---
*Washington.....	11	5	<u>a/</u>

a/ Percent not shown where base is less than 10.

* Blind agency

** Estimated

Number of rehabilitations in State vocational rehabilitation agencies,
July 1 through July 31, 1975 and 1976

Region and agency	Total rehabilitations		Percent change (3)
	July 1976 (1)	July 1975 (2)	
U.S. Total.....	14,344	13,281	+ 8.0
Region I.....	469	419	+ 11.9
Connecticut.....	139	126	+ 10.3
Maine.....	49	19	+157.9
Massachusetts.....	148	106	+ 39.6
New Hampshire.....	52	58	- 10.3
Rhode Island.....	52	60	- 13.3
Vermont.....	16	36	- 55.6
*Connecticut.....	0	8	-100.0
*Maine.....	5	1	a/
*Massachusetts.....	1	0	--
*Rhode Island.....	7	5	a/
Region II.....	1,021	849	+ 20.3
New Jersey.....	435	311	+ 39.9
New York.....	407	374	+ 8.8
Puerto Rico.....	111	95	+ 16.8
Virgin Islands.....	11	3	a/
*New Jersey.....	19	8	a/
*New York.....	38	58	- 34.5
Region III.....	1,306	1,612	- 19.0
Delaware.....	30	15	+100.0
District of Columbia.....	43	64	- 32.8
Maryland.....	379	277	+ 36.8
Pennsylvania.....	328	685	- 52.1
Virginia.....	384	397	- 3.3
West Virginia.....	99	96	+ 3.1
*Delaware.....	1	2	a/
*Pennsylvania.....	11	23	- 52.2
*Virginia.....	31	53	- 41.5
Region IV.....	3,391	3,272	+ 3.6
Alabama.....	679	529	+ 28.4
Florida.....	500**	563	- 11.2
Georgia.....	333	174	+ 91.4
Kentucky.....	99	57	+ 73.7
Mississippi.....	150	117	+ 28.2
North Carolina.....	600	294	+104.1
South Carolina.....	590	1,133	- 47.9
Tennessee.....	271	285	- 4.9
*Florida.....	30**	33	- 9.1
*Mississippi.....	18	14	+ 28.6
*North Carolina.....	97	40	+142.5
*South Carolina.....	4	21	- 81.0
*Tennessee.....	20	12	+ 66.7
Region V.....	2,505	1,791	+ 39.9
Illinois.....	812	605	+ 34.2
Indiana.....	151	47	+221.3
Michigan.....	608	383	+ 58.7
Minnesota.....	89	111	- 19.8
Ohio.....	604	360	+ 67.8
Wisconsin.....	209	262	- 20.2
*Michigan.....	24	16	+ 50.0
*Minnesota.....	8	7	a/

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TO: STATE REHABILITATION AGENCIES (GENERAL) NOV 2 1977
STATE REHABILITATION AGENCIES (BLIND)
ASSISTANT REGIONAL DIRECTORS, OHD
DIRECTORS, ORS

University of Illinois
at Urbana-Champaign

SUBJECT: Number of Rehabilitations: July 1 to August 31, 1975 and 1976

CONTENT: Through August 31, 1976, the second month of the transitional budget period, State agencies rehabilitated 29,789 persons, a decrease of 10.1 percent from the 33,140 rehabilitations in July and August, 1975. Considerable variation was noted among the State agencies. Some experienced sharp declines in the two month period while others showed large increases in rehabilitations.

Rehabilitations reported in August, 1976 numbered 15,439, a decline of 22.3 percent from the 19,859 rehabilitations recorded in August, 1975. The August, 1976 total was the lowest number of rehabilitations for any August since 1970.

Andrew S. Adam
Commissioner of Rehabilitation Services

Attachment

Table 1 --Number of rehabilitations in State vocational rehabilitation agencies
July 1 through August 31, 1975 and 1976

Region and agency	Total rehabilitations through		Percent change (3)
	August 1976 (1)	August 1975 (2)	
U.S. Total.....	29,789	33,140	- 10.1
Region I.....	1,045	1,000	+ 4.5
Connecticut.....	293	272	+ 7.7
Maine.....	86	62	+ 38.7
Massachusetts.....	317	282	+ 12.4
New Hampshire.....	127	147	- 13.6
Rhode Island.....	117	141	- 17.0
Vermont.....	61	69	- 11.6
*Connecticut.....	6	9	<u>a/</u>
*Maine.....	22	6	<u>a/</u>
*Massachusetts.....	2	3	<u>a/</u>
*Rhode Island.....	14	9	<u>a/</u>
Region II.....	2,213	2,295	- 3.6
New Jersey.....	963	578	+ 66.6
New York.....	858	1,321	- 35.0
Puerto Rico.....	241	223	+ 8.1
Virgin Islands.....	17	14	+ 21.4
*New Jersey.....	30	30	0
*New York.....	104	129	- 19.4
Region III.....	2,592	4,468	- 42.0
Delaware.....	86	48	+ 79.2
District of Columbia.....	100	120	- 16.7
Maryland.....	745	414	+ 80.0
Pennsylvania.....	431	2,253	- 80.9
Virginia.....	872	1,130	- 22.8
West Virginia.....	284	321	- 11.5
*Delaware.....	1	2**	<u>a/</u>
*Pennsylvania.....	18	88	- 79.5
*Virginia.....	55	92	- 40.2
Region IV.....	6,990	8,146	- 14.2
Alabama.....	1,283	1,175	+ 9.2
Florida.....	1,050**	1,165	- 9.9
Georgia.....	759	447	+ 69.8
Kentucky.....	336	219	+ 53.4
Mississippi.....	312	369	- 15.4
North Carolina.....	1,290	1,089	+ 18.5
South Carolina.....	1,038	2,708	- 61.7
Tennessee.....	578	668	- 13.5
*Florida.....	70**	82	- 14.6
*Mississippi.....	35	34	+ 2.9
*North Carolina.....	198	133	+ 48.9
*South Carolina.....	11	21	- 47.6
*Tennessee.....	30	36	- 16.7
Region V.....	5,567	4,822	+ 15.5
Illinois.....	1,684	1,364	+ 23.5
Indiana.....	417	199	+109.5
Michigan.....	1,333	1,428	- 6.7
Minnesota.....	419	285	+ 47.0
Ohio.....	1,145	880	+ 30.1
Wisconsin.....	504	609	- 17.2
*Michigan.....	43	38	+ 13.2
*Minnesota.....	22	19	+ 15.8

See footnotes at end of table.

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Table 1 --Number of rehabilitations in State vocational rehabilitation agencies
July 1 through August 31, 1975 and 1976

Region and agency	Total rehabilitations through		Percent change (3)
	August 1976 (1)	August 1975 (2)	
Region VI.....	4,461	5,839	- 23.6
Arkansas.....	637	740	- 13.9
Louisiana.....	630	1,303	- 51.7
New Mexico.....	95	106	- 10.4
Oklahoma.....	318	786	- 59.5
Texas.....	2,533	2,497	+ 1.4
*Arkansas.....	26	27	- 3.7
*Louisiana.....	11	9	a/
*Texas.....	211	371	- 43.1
Region VII.....	1,612	1,956	- 17.5
Iowa.....	196	367	- 46.6
Kansas.....	345	452	- 23.7
Missouri.....	352	916	- 7.0
Nebraska.....	186	172	+ 8.1
*Iowa.....	6	7	a/
*Kansas.....	18	9	a/
*Missouri.....	0	4	-100.0
*Nebraska.....	9	29	- 69.0
Region VIII.....	272	961	+ 1.1
Colorado.....	364	226	+ 61.1
Montana.....	71	138	- 48.6
North Dakota.....	108	114	- 5.3
South Dakota.....	67	31	+116.1
Utah.....	370	354	- 23.7
Wyoming.....	68	74	- 3.2
*Montana.....	24	24	0
Region IX.....	2,132	2,087	+ 2.2
Arizona.....	56	91	- 38.5
California.....	1,384	1,849	+ 1.9
Guam.....	14	7	a/
Hawaii.....	89	64	+ 39.1
Nevada.....	62	58	+ 6.9
Trust Territory.....	1**	4	a/
*Arizona.....	3	2	a/
*Nevada.....	23	12	+ 91.7
Region X.....	2,205	1,566	+ 40.8
Alaska.....	49	54	- 9.3
Idaho.....	144	69	+108.7
Oregon.....	646	453	+ 42.6
Washington.....	1,341	978	+ 37.1
*Idaho.....	3	0	--
*Oregon.....	2	4	a/
*Washington.....	20	8	a/

a/ Percent not shown when base is less than 10.

* Blind agency

** Estimated

Table 2 --Number of persons rehabilitated each month and percent change,
July 1 through August 31, 1975 and 1976

Month	Number of rehabilitations		Percent change	
	Fiscal Year			
	1976	1975		
July	14,350	13,281	+ 8.0	
August	15,439	19,859	-22.3	
Total	29,789	33,140	-10.1	

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TO: STATE REHABILITATION AGENCIES (GENERAL)
STATE REHABILITATION AGENCIES (BLIND)
ASSISTANT REGIONAL DIRECTORS, OHD
DIRECTORS, ORS

SUBJECT: Distribution of the "Quarterly Status Report: Disability Insurance Program (SSDI) and Supplemental Security Income Program (SSI)," Fiscal Year 1976

CONTENT: The report covering Fiscal Year 1976 caseload information for the SSDI and SSI components of the VR programs is attached.

During Fiscal Year 1976, State agencies rehabilitated 22,768 beneficiaries of SSDI payments, an increase of 1.9 percent from Fiscal Year 1975. Of these cases, 12,826, or 56.3 percent, were reported by State agencies as having met the special selection criteria permitting the use of Trust Funds for VR services. This represented an increase of 1.9 percent from Fiscal Year 1975. Among non-SSDI beneficiaries, rehabilitations declined by 7.0 percent during the same period.

There were 17,260 SSI recipients rehabilitated in Fiscal Year 1976, a gain of 22.3 percent from Fiscal Year 1975. As reported by State agencies, 8,320, or 48.2 percent of these cases, had met the special selection criteria permitting the use of SSI funds for VR services, a gain of 29.3 percent from Fiscal Year 1975. This contrasts with a 7.7 percent decline in the number of non-SSI recipients rehabilitations effected during the same period.

Andrew S. Adams

Commissioner of Rehabilitation Services

STATE REHABILITATION AGENCY CASELOADS OF SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY
INSURANCE BENEFICIARIES (SSDI) AND SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME
RECIPIENTS (SSI): FISCAL YEAR 1976

TABLE 1

As reported by the State agencies for Fiscal Year 1976, 12,826 of the rehabilitated SSDI beneficiaries and 8,320 of the SSI recipients were classified as having met the special selection criteria, permitting the use of Trust Funds or SSI monies for VR services. These represent increases of 1.9 percent and 29.3 percent, respectively, over comparable cases reported by State agencies in Fiscal Year 1975.

During Fiscal Year 1976, State agencies rehabilitated 22,768 SSDI beneficiaries, up 1.9 percent from the 22,336 rehabilitated in Fiscal Year 1975, and 17,260 SSI recipients, up 22.3 percent from the 14,113 rehabilitated in Fiscal Year 1975. The unduplicated count of SSDI/SSI rehabilitations in Fiscal Year 1976 was 36,604. The overlap of 3,424 represents dual cases, that is, rehabilitated persons in receipt of both SSDI and SSI payments at some time while they were in the VR process.

TABLE 2

Of the 19,422 cases rehabilitated in Fiscal Year 1976 which, according to State agency reports, had met the special selection criteria for either Trust Funds or SSI funding, 12,826 or 66.0 percent, were Trust Funds cases, and 8,320 or 42.8 percent, were SSI-funded cases. The overlap is caused by 1,724, (8.9 percent) dual cases. Similar percentages were observed among cases not rehabilitated and cases which remained in agency caseloads on June 30, 1976.

TABLE 3

The 78,063 SSDI beneficiaries and the 53,924 SSI recipients served (Statuses 10 to 30) who were reported by State agencies to have met the special selection criteria, represented increases of 12.1 percent and 41.0 percent, respectively, over the number served in Fiscal Year 1975.

Altogether, there were 122,304 SSDI beneficiaries and 92,811 SSI recipients served by State agencies in Fiscal Year 1976. They represented increases of 11.0 percent and 32.0 percent, respectively, over Fiscal Year 1975 totals.

TABLE 4

On June 30, 1976, there were 72,223 unduplicated SSDI/SSI cases in the referral and applicant statuses, down 6.0 percent from June 30, 1975.

The unduplicated number of SSDI/SSI cases in extended evaluation on June 30, 1976 came to 10,951, up 17.6 percent over June 30, 1975.

During Fiscal Year 1976, the unduplicated number of SSDI/SSI cases not accepted for VR services numbered 141,498, an increase of 4.2 percent over Fiscal Year 1975.

TABLE 5

Of the 206,722 SSI recipients in agency caseloads at any time (Statuses 00-30) during Fiscal Year 1976, 20,738, or 10.0 percent, were recipients by reason of blindness. The blind representation was 5.3 percent among the not accepted SSI cases, 6.9 percent among the not rehabilitated, and 17.2 percent among the rehabilitated. Out of 4,045 SSI-blind closures from the active statuses, 2,976, or 73.3 percent, were rehabilitated closures. This contrasted with a rehabilitation rate of only 49.5 percent for the non-blind SSI recipients whose active cases were closed in Fiscal Year 1976.

TABLE 6

In Fiscal Year 1976, Pennsylvania general led all agencies in the number of SSDI rehabilitations meeting the special selection criteria (1,153) followed by California (995). The proportion of SSDI beneficiaries reported by State agencies as special selection criteria cases ranged from 86.0 percent in Alabama to 28.4 percent in Wyoming, among general agencies, and from 83.3 percent in Arkansas to 10.8 percent in Missouri, among blind agencies.

TABLE 7

California led all agencies in Fiscal Year 1976 in the number of SSI rehabilitations meeting the special selection criteria (1,211) followed by New York general (541). State agencies reported proportions of special selection criteria cases among their SSI recipients ranging from 79.2 percent in the District of Columbia to 13.9 percent in Rhode Island, among general agencies, and from 91.7 percent in Arkansas to 7.7 percent in Iowa, among blind agencies.

Table 1 --Number and percent of SSDI beneficiaries and SSI recipients rehabilitated, Fiscal Years 1975 and 1976

Type	FY 1976		FY 1975		Percent change (5)
	No. (1)	% (2)	No. (3)	% (4)	
Total Rehabilitations	303,328	100.0	324,039	100.0	- 6.4
SSDI Rehabilitations	22,768	7.5	22,336	6.9	+ 1.9
Met SSC	12,826	4.2	12,585	3.9	+ 1.9
Non-SSC	9,942	3.3	9,751	3.0	+ 2.0
Non-SSDI Rehabilitations	280,560	92.5	301,703	93.1	- 7.0
SSI Rehabilitations	17,260	5.7	14,113	4.4	+ 22.3
Met SSC	8,320	2.7	6,436	2.0	+ 29.3
Non-SSC	8,940	2.9	7,677	2.4	+ 16.5
Non-SSI Rehabilitations	286,068	94.3	309,926	95.6	- 7.7
Severe Rehabilitations	122,938	40.5	115,746	35.7	+ 6.2
SSDI/SSI rehabilitations ^{1/}	36,604	12.1	33,697	10.4	+ 8.6
Other Severe Rehabilitations	86,334	28.5	82,049	25.3	+ 5.2
Non-Severe Rehabilitations	180,390	59.5	208,293	64.3	- 13.4

^{1/} Unduplicated count

Table 2 --Number of cases meeting the special selection criteria, by type, by caseload status, Fiscal Year 1976

Type	Rehabilitated		Not Rehabilitated		Active Cases June 30, 1976	
	No. (1)	% (2)	No. (3)	% (4)	No. (5)	% (6)
Total 1/	19,422	100.0	19,510	100.0	80,801	100.0
Trust-Funds	12,826	66.0	13,045	66.9	52,192	64.6
SSI-Funded	8,320	42.8	8,401	43.1	37,203	46.0
Dual Cases	1,724	8.9	1,936	9.9	8,594	10.6

1/ Trust Funds cases plus SSI-Funded cases minus Dual cases.

Table 3 --SSDI beneficiaries and SSI recipients served (statuses 10-30): Number and percent meeting the special selection criteria, Fiscal Years 1975 and 1976

Type	FY 1976		FY 1975		Percent change: FY 1976 vs. FY 1975 (5)
	No. (1)	% (2)	No. (3)	% (4)	
<u>SSDI Beneficiaries:</u>					
Total	122,304	100.0	110,174	100.0	+ 11.0
Met SSC	78,063	63.8	69,653	63.2	+ 12.1
Non-SSC	44,241	36.2	40,521	36.8	+ 9.2
<u>SSI Recipients:</u>					
Total	92,811	100.0	70,323	100.0	+ 32.0
Met SSC	53,924	58.1	38,232	54.4	+ 41.0
Non-SSC	38,887	41.9	32,091	45.6	+ 21.2

Table 4 -SSDI beneficiaries and SSI recipients in pre-acceptance statuses:
Number and percent distribution, by type of case, Fiscal Years 1975 and 1976

Type	FY 1976		FY 1975		Percent change FY 1976 vs. 1976 (5)
	No. (1)	% (2)	No. (3)	% (4)	
<u>Referral/Applicant:</u> (June 30, 1976)					
Total 1/	72,223	100.0	76,872	100.0	- 6.0
SSDI	47,169	65.3	48,759	63.4	- 3.3
SSI	35,349	48.9	36,240	47.1	- 2.5
Dual	10,295	14.3	8,127	10.6	+ 26.7
<u>Extended Evaluation:</u> (June 30, 1976)					
Total 1/	10,951	100.0	9,313	100.0	+ 17.6
SSDI	6,399	58.4	5,812	62.4	+ 10.1
SSI	5,973	54.5	4,504	48.4	+ 32.6
Dual	1,421	13.0	1,003	10.8	+ 41.7
<u>Not Accepted for VR:</u> (July 1 to June 30)					
Total 1/	141,498	100.0	135,845	100.0	+ 4.2
SSDI	93,560	66.1	82,303	60.6	+ 13.7
SSI	72,589	51.3	64,097	47.2	+ 13.2
Dual	24,651	17.4	10,555	7.8	+133.5

1/ SSDI cases plus SSI cases minus Dual cases

Table 5 - ~~Blind~~ and disabled SSI recipients, by caseload status, Fiscal Year 1976

Status	Total (1)	Blind (2)	Disabled (3)	% Blind (4)
Total cases (00-30)	206,722	20,738	185,984	10.0
Referral/Applicant 1/	35,349	3,406	31,943	9.6
Extended Evaluation 1/	5,973	556	5,417	9.3
Not Accepted for VR	72,589	3,846	68,743	5.3
Active Cases 1/	59,909	8,885	51,024	14.8
Rehabilitated	17,260	2,967	14,293	17.2
Not Rehabilitated	15,642	1,078	14,564	6.9

1/ As of June 30, 1976

Table 6 --Number of SSDI beneficiaries and number and percent meeting the special selection criteria, by caseload status, by region and agency--
July 1, 1975 to June 30, 1976

Region and agency	Rehabilitated SSDI Cases			Not Rehabilitated SSDI Cases			Active SSDI Cases (June 30, 1976)		
	Total	Met SSC	% SSC	Total	Met SSC	% SSC	Total	Met SSC	% SSC
U.S. total.....	22,768	12,826	56.3	22,879	13,045	58.6	77,257	52,192	67.6
General, total.....	20,355	11,866	58.3	21,310	12,672	59.5	70,626	48,903	69.2
Blind, total.....	2,413	960	39.8	969	373	38.5	6,631	3,289	49.6
Region I (Boston).....	1,104	568	51.4	950	512	53.9	3,906	2,446	62.6
General, total.....	923	513	55.6	899	491	54.6	3,518	2,221	63.1
Connecticut.....	163	80	49.1	191	124	64.9	614	416	67.8
Maine.....	91	49	53.8	60	43	71.7	289	241	83.4
Massachusetts.....	397	257	64.7	387	197	50.9	1,566	951	60.7
New Hampshire.....	113	53	46.9	99	46	46.5	479	257	53.7
Rhode Island.....	118	52	44.1	115	53	46.1	440	263	59.8
Vermont.....	41	22	53.7	47	28	59.6	130	93	71.5
Blind, total.....	181	55	30.4	51	21	41.2	388	225	58.0
Connecticut.....	56	24	42.9	21	8	38.1	108	79	73.1
Maine.....	15	10	66.7	7	6	85.7	41	31	75.6
Massachusetts.....	60	15	25.0	17	6	35.3	175	99	56.6
Rhode Island.....	50	6	12.0	6	1	16.7	64	16	25.0
Region II (New York City).....	2,309	1,335	57.8	1,744	901	51.7	9,491	5,744	60.5
General, total.....	1,915	1,164	60.8	1,607	862	53.6	8,370	5,166	61.7
New Jersey.....	693	467	67.4	344	231	67.2	1,810	1,393	77.0
New York.....	1,016	548	53.9	1,195	579	48.5	5,521	2,983	54.0
Puerto Rico.....	204	147	72.1	67	52	77.6	1,024	780	76.2
Virgin Islands.....	2	2	100.0	1	0	0	15	10	66.7
Blind, total.....	394	171	43.4	137	39	28.5	1,121	578	51.6
New Jersey.....	106	47	44.3	72	22	30.6	293	128	43.7
New York.....	288	124	43.1	65	17	26.2	828	450	54.3
Region III (Philadelphia).....	3,762	1,977	52.6	2,933	1,665	56.8	9,851	6,335	64.3
General, total.....	3,466	1,897	51.7	2,854	1,636	57.3	9,038	5,967	66.0
Delaware.....	120	70	58.3	36	29	80.6	205	149	72.7
Dist. of Columbia.....	42	34	81.0	21	12	57.1	153	131	25.6
Maryland.....	506	173	34.2	317	94	29.7	1,175	442	37.6
Pennsylvania.....	2,108	1,153	54.7	1,826	1,013	55.5	5,271	3,525	66.9
Virginia.....	411	298	72.5	430	324	75.3	1,253	1,081	86.3
West Virginia.....	279	169	60.6	224	164	73.2	981	639	65.1
Blind, total.....	296	80	27.0	79	29	36.7	813	368	45.3
Delaware.....	8	2	25.0	4	2	50.0	20	16	80.0
Pennsylvania.....	140	35	25.0	45	12	26.7	505	214	42.4
Virginia.....	148	43	29.1	30	15	50.0	288	138	47.9
Region IV (Atlanta).....	4,740	2,617	55.2	5,048	2,684	53.2	15,346	11,286	73.5
General, total.....	4,211	2,386	56.7	4,835	2,580	53.4	13,814	10,470	75.8
Alabama.....	385	331	86.0	327	250	76.5	1,635	1,318	80.6
Florida.....	429**	298**	69.5	797**	501**	72.9	2,198	1,756	79.9
Georgia.....	676	363	53.7	852	358	42.0	2,761	1,977	71.1
Kentucky.....	293	168	57.3	297	194	65.3	1,043	875	83.9
Mississippi.....	423	254	60.0	291	142	48.8	1,345	980	72.9
North Carolina.....	1,257	471	37.5	1,294	464	35.9	2,221	1,649	74.2
South Carolina.....	416	291	70.0	502	330	65.7	1,534	1,180	76.9
Tennessee.....	332	210	63.3	475	261	54.9	1,057	735	69.5
Blind, total.....	529	231	43.7	213	104	48.8	1,532	816	53.3
Florida.....	117	93	79.5	69	57	82.6	380	302	79.5
Mississippi.....	57	20	35.1	43	15	34.9	158	81	51.3
North Carolina.....	195	54	27.7	57	14	24.6	639	228	35.7
South Carolina.....	107	55	51.4	27	13	48.1	241	170	70.5
Tennessee.....	53	9	17.0	17	5	29.4	114	35	30.7
Region V (Chicago).....	3,991	1,988	49.8	4,629	2,702	58.4	13,139	8,287	63.1
General, total.....	3,815	1,927	50.5	4,523	2,673	59.1	12,679	8,071	63.7
Illinois.....	1,001	474	47.4	661	403	61.0	2,748	1,769	64.4
Indiana.....	452	283	62.6	567	372	65.6	1,546	1,092	70.6
Michigan.....	530	298	56.2	840	687	81.8	2,079	1,657	79.7
Minnesota.....	390	268	68.7	470	319	67.9	1,569	1,169	74.5
Ohio.....	863	369	42.8	990	509	51.4	2,823	1,410	49.9
Wisconsin.....	579	235	40.6	995	383	38.5	1,914	974	50.9
Blind, total.....	176	61	34.7	106	29	27.4	460	216	47.0
Michigan.....	83	33	39.8	56	17	30.4	230	134	58.3
Minnesota.....	93	28	30.1	50	12	24.0	230	82	35.7

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Table 6 --Number of SSDI beneficiaries and number and percent meeting the special selection criteria, by caseload status, by region and agency--
July 1, 1975 to June 30, 1976

Region and agency	Rehabilitated SSDI Cases			Not Rehabilitated SSDI Cases			Active SSDI Cases (June 30, 1976)		
	Total	Met SSC	% SSC	Total	Met SSC	% SSC	Total	Met SSC	% SSC
Region VI (Dallas).....	2,436	1,570	64.4	2,840	1,719	60.5	9,173	5,978	65.2
General, total.....	1,945	1,307	67.2	2,593	1,590	61.3	7,768	5,227	67.3
Arkansas.....	187	132	70.6	233	180	77.3	1,000	812	81.2
Louisiana.....	316	224	70.9	370	219	59.2	1,376	964	70.1
New Mexico.....	155	86	55.5	149	86	57.7	428	231	54.0
Oklahoma.....	310	152	49.0	192	119	62.0	1,172	648	55.3
Texas.....	977	713	73.0	1,649	986	59.8	3,792	2,572	67.8
Blind, total.....	491	263	53.6	247	129	52.2	1,405	751	53.5
Arkansas.....	42	35	83.3	14	13	92.9	146	107	73.3
Louisiana.....	47	32	68.1	41	22	53.7	221	162	73.3
Texas.....	402	196	48.8	192	94	49.0	1,038	482	46.4
Region VII (Kansas City).....	1,366	633	46.3	808	359	44.4	3,473	1,909	55.0
General, total.....	1,151	591	51.3	719	347	48.3	3,010	1,803	59.9
Iowa.....	311	223	71.7	311	159	51.1	925	591	63.9
Kansas.....	223	77	34.5	103	30	29.1	428	197	46.0
Missouri.....	483	231	47.8	187	101	54.0	1,047	639	61.0
Nebraska.....	134	60	44.8	118	57	48.3	610	376	61.6
Blind, total.....	215	42	19.5	89	12	13.5	463	106	22.9
Iowa.....	65	12	18.5	34	0	0	174	12	6.9
Kansas.....	30	10	33.3	14	6	42.9	91	33	36.3
Missouri.....	74	8	10.8	34	5	14.7	104	39	37.5
Nebraska.....	46	12	26.1	7	1	14.3	94	22	23.4
Region VIII (Denver).....	638	308	48.3	693	316	45.6	2,598	1,338	51.5
General, total.....	629	306	48.6	687	312	45.4	2,531	1,316	52.0
Colorado.....	161	85	52.8	206	121	58.7	587	372	63.4
Montana.....	109	50	45.9	96	43	44.8	548	284	51.8
North Dakota.....	86	51	59.3	104	33	31.7	469	224	47.8
South Dakota.....	106	59	55.7	83	40	48.2	282	163	57.8
Utah.....	100	42	42.0	164	61	37.2	509	227	44.6
Wyoming.....	67	19	28.4	34	14	41.2	136	46	33.8
Blind, total.....	9	2	22.2	6	4	66.7	67	22	32.8
Montana.....	9	2	22.2	6	4	66.7	67	22	32.8
Region IX (San Francisco).....	1,428	1,173	82.1	1,927	1,734	90.0	7,103	6,553	92.3
General, total.....	1,392	1,151	82.7	1,922	1,731	90.1	7,021	6,497	92.5
Arizona.....	99	81	81.8	106	81	76.4	340	259	76.2
California.....	1,161	995	85.7	1,684	1,574	93.5	6,130	5,816	94.9
Guam.....	0	0	0	1	1	100.0	4	4	100.0
Hawaii.....	66	28	42.4	74	36	48.6	394	295	74.9
Nevada.....	66	47	71.2	57	39	68.4	153	123	80.4
Blind, total.....	36	22	61.1	5	3	60.0	82	56	68.3
Arizona.....	19	10	52.6	1	1	100.0	59	40	67.8
Nevada.....	17	12	70.6	4	2	50.0	23	16	69.6
Region X (Seattle).....	994	657	66.1	707	453	64.1	3,177	2,316	72.9
General, total.....	908	624	68.7	671	450	67.1	2,877	2,165	75.3
Alaska.....	50	36	72.0	23	11	47.8	79	68	86.1
Idaho.....	170	134	78.8	113	48	42.5	479	307	64.1
Oregon.....	327	224	68.5	325	212	65.2	1,086	666	61.3
Washington.....	361	230	63.7	210	179	85.2	1,233	1,124	91.2
Blind, total.....	86	33	38.4	36	3	8.3	300	151	50.3
Idaho.....	20	7	35.0	17	2	11.8	66	15	22.7
Oregon.....	43	16	37.2	4	0	0	56	36	64.3
Washington.....	23	10	43.5	15	1	6.7	178	100	56.2

Table 7 --Number of SSI recipients and number and percent meeting the special selection criteria, by caseload status, by region and agency--
July 1, 1975 to June 30, 1976

Region and agency	Rehabilitated SSI Cases			Not Rehabilitated SSI Cases			Active SSI Cases (June 30, 1976)		
	Total	Met SSC	% SSC	Total	Met SSC	% SSC	Total	Met SSC	% SSC
U.S. total.....	17,260	8,320	48.2	15,642	8,401	53.7	59,909	37,203	62.1
General, total.....	14,893	7,446	50.0	14,901	8,173	54.8	53,203	33,941	63.8
Blind, total.....	2,367	874	36.9	741	228	30.8	6,706	3,262	48.6
Region I (Boston).....	901	394	43.7	638	316	49.5	2,957	1,627	55.0
General, total.....	740	332	44.9	590	296	50.2	2,523	1,384	54.9
Connecticut.....	111	44	39.6	96	65	67.7	234	200	85.5
Maine.....	73	29	39.7	60	36	60.0	198	136	68.7
Massachusetts.....	395	215	54.4	339	155	45.7	1,545	787	50.9
New Hampshire.....	37	19	51.4	28	14	50.0	122	62	50.8
Rhode Island.....	79	11	13.9	35	8	22.9	312	140	44.9
Vermont.....	45	14	31.1	32	18	56.3	112	59	52.7
Blind, total.....	161	62	38.5	48	20	41.7	434	243	56.0
Connecticut.....	13	8	61.5	13	6	46.2	60	45	75.0
Maine.....	19	13	68.4	6	5	83.3	56	38	67.9
Massachusetts.....	95	36	37.9	25	8	32.0	252	146	57.9
Rhode Island.....	34	5	14.7	4	1	25.0	66	14	21.2
Region II (New York City).....	1,856	896	48.3	1,762	701	39.8	8,039	4,038	50.2
General, total.....	1,500	762	50.8	1,666	690	42.4	6,896	3,489	50.6
New Jersey.....	317	221	69.7	186	118	63.4	869	651	74.9
New York.....	1,183	541	45.7	1,480	572	38.6	6,027	2,838	47.1
Puerto Rico.....	0	0	--	0	0	--	0	0	--
Virgin Islands.....	0	0	--	0	0	--	0	0	--
Blind, total.....	356	134	37.6	96	11	11.5	1,143	549	48.0
New Jersey.....	63	31	49.2	40	0	0	229	82	35.8
New York.....	293	103	35.2	56	11	19.6	914	467	51.1
Region III (Philadelphia).....	2,059	867	42.1	1,646	862	52.4	5,781	3,511	60.7
General, total.....	1,824	799	43.8	1,581	843	53.3	5,205	3,237	62.2
Delaware.....	63	33	52.4	13	12	92.3	143	87	60.8
Dist. of Columbia.....	53	42	79.2	36	23	63.9	188	149	79.3
Maryland.....	402	127	31.6	233	53	22.7	1,067	371	34.8
Pennsylvania.....	1,031	446	43.3	1,055	572	54.2	2,681	1,739	64.9
Virginia.....	152	112	73.7	158	131	82.9	756	690	91.3
West Virginia.....	123	39	31.7	86	52	60.5	370	201	54.3
Blind, total.....	235	68	28.9	65	19	29.2	576	274	47.6
Delaware.....	11	4	36.4	5	2	40.0	19	12	63.2
Pennsylvania.....	118	34	28.8	37	6	16.2	324	144	44.4
Virginia.....	106	30	28.3	23	11	47.8	233	118	50.6
Region IV (Atlanta).....	3,436	1,555	45.3	2,638	1,247	47.3	11,106	6,921	62.3
General, total.....	2,817	1,325	47.0	2,464	1,185	48.1	9,471	6,187	65.3
Alabama.....	320	231	72.2	234	181	77.4	1,234	901	73.0
Florida.....	282**	182**	64.5	398**	247**	62.1	1,317	922	70.0
Georgia.....	474	170	35.9	422	144	34.1	1,893	1,118	59.1
Kentucky.....	336	119	35.4	203	103	50.7	897	668	74.5
Mississippi.....	263	119	45.2	146	63	43.2	983	662	67.3
North Carolina.....	568	221	38.9	462	166	35.9	1,081	561	51.9
South Carolina.....	265	163	61.5	277	155	56.0	1,213	854	70.4
Tennessee.....	309	120	38.8	322	126	39.1	853	501	58.7
Blind, total.....	619	230	37.2	174	62	35.6	1,635	734	44.9
Florida.....	76	53	69.7	41	24	58.5	355	245	69.0
Mississippi.....	120	57	47.5	43	12	27.9	216	105	48.6
North Carolina.....	254	78	30.7	62	16	25.8	738	241	32.7
South Carolina.....	74	32	43.2	13	7	53.8	164	117	71.3
Tennessee.....	95	10	10.5	15	3	20.0	162	26	16.0
Region V (Chicago).....	2,439	951	39.0	2,569	1,090	42.4	7,903	4,202	53.2
General, total.....	2,295	891	38.8	2,511	1,064	42.4	7,428	3,913	52.7
Illinois.....	644	209	32.4	521	176	33.8	1,930	938	48.6
Indiana.....	175	102	58.3	140	81	57.9	596	382	64.1
Michigan.....	251	132	52.6	364	269	73.9	970	747	77.0
Minnesota.....	364	220	60.4	316	178	56.3	1,125	646	57.4
Ohio.....	548	173	31.6	696	277	39.8	2,083	858	41.2
Wisconsin.....	313	55	17.6	474	83	17.5	724	342	47.2
Blind, total.....	144	60	41.7	58	26	44.8	475	289	60.8
Michigan.....	96	41	42.7	42	24	57.1	331	233	70.4
Minnesota.....	48	19	39.6	16	2	12.5	144	56	38.9

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Table 7 --Number of SSI recipients and number and percent meeting the special selection criteria, by caseload status, by region and agency--
July 1, 1975 to June 30, 1976

Region and agency	Rehabilitated SSI Cases			Not Rehabilitated SSI Cases			Active SSI Cases (June 30, 1976)		
	Total	Met SSC	% SSC	Total	Met SSC	% SSC	Total	Met SSC	% SSC
Region VI (Dallas).....									
General, total.....	2,156	1,099	51.0	1,952	1,009	51.7	7,604	4,276	56.2
Arkansas.....	1,563	862	55.2	1,773	949	53.5	6,010	3,468	57.7
Louisiana.....	146	99	67.8	120	85	70.8	562	411	73.1
New Mexico.....	229	119	52.0	199	76	38.2	904	494	54.6
Oklahoma.....	142	76	53.5	153	72	47.1	418	204	48.8
Texas.....	417	165	39.6	153	87	56.9	940	462	49.1
Blind, total.....	629	403	64.1	1,148	629	54.8	3,186	1,897	59.5
Arkansas.....	593	237	40.0	179	60	33.5	1,594	808	50.7
Louisiana.....	48	44	91.7	11	8	72.7	139	114	82.0
Texas.....	90	50	55.6	25	6	24.0	321	165	51.4
Blind, total.....	455	143	31.4	143	46	32.2	1,134	529	46.6
Region VII (Kansas City).....									
General, total.....	978	312	31.9	492	162	32.9	2,411	1,080	44.8
Iowa.....	837	285	34.1	430	154	35.8	1,988	968	48.7
Kansas.....	208	115	55.3	165	59	35.8	687	322	46.9
Missouri.....	180	31	17.2	65	15	23.1	213	82	38.5
Nebraska.....	327	86	26.3	108	39	36.1	539	258	47.9
Blind, total.....	122	53	43.4	92	41	44.6	549	306	55.7
Iowa.....	141	27	19.1	62	8	12.9	423	112	26.5
Kansas.....	39	3	7.7	26	2	7.7	184	16	8.7
Missouri.....	20	11	55.0	8	2	25.0	69	36	52.2
Nebraska.....	62	6	9.7	21	4	19.0	112	40	35.7
Blind, total.....	20	7	35.0	7	0	0	58	20	34.5
Region VIII (Denver).....									
General, total.....	573	279	48.7	583	228	39.1	2,062	1,059	51.4
Colorado.....	568	277	48.8	574	224	39.0	2,037	1,044	51.3
Montana.....	183	92	50.3	223	102	45.7	601	353	58.7
North Dakota.....	112	57	50.9	93	49	52.7	374	210	56.1
South Dakota.....	68	51	75.0	81	20	24.7	371	182	49.1
Utah.....	75	40	53.3	43	14	32.6	225	114	50.7
Wyoming.....	89	23	25.8	117	37	31.6	387	164	42.4
Blind, total.....	41	14	34.1	17	2	11.8	79	21	26.6
Montana.....	5	2	40.0	9	4	44.4	25	15	60.0
Region IX (San Francisco).....									
General, total.....	1,778	1,306	73.5	2,610	2,280	87.4	9,022	8,215	91.1
Arizona.....	1,738	1,286	74.0	2,592	2,267	87.5	8,929	8,160	91.4
California.....	78	48	61.5	89	48	53.9	299	200	66.9
Guam.....	1,577	1,211	76.8	2,410	2,171	90.1	8,223	7,690	93.5
Hawaii.....	0	0	--	0	0	--	0	0	--
Nevada.....	48	14	29.2	71	31	43.7	338	219	64.8
Blind, total.....	35	13	37.1	22	17	77.3	69	51	73.9
Arizona.....	40	20	50.0	18	13	72.2	93	55	59.1
Nevada.....	20	12	60.0	13	10	76.9	71	40	56.3
Blind, total.....	20	8	40.0	5	3	60.0	22	15	68.2
Region X (Seattle).....									
General, total.....	1,084	661	61.0	752	506	67.3	3,024	2,274	75.2
Alaska.....	1,011	627	62.0	720	501	69.6	2,716	2,091	77.0
Idaho.....	33	20	60.6	16	10	62.5	57	44	77.2
Oregon.....	59	40	67.8	65	21	32.3	278	186	66.9
Washington.....	295	168	56.9	315	191	60.6	860	540	62.8
Blind, total.....	624	399	63.9	324	279	86.1	1,521	1,321	86.9
Idaho.....	73	34	46.6	32	5	15.6	308	183	59.4
Oregon.....	19	6	31.6	12	4	33.3	55	21	38.2
Washington.....	27	13	48.1	7	0	0	58	35	60.3
Blind, total.....	27	15	55.6	13	1	7.7	195	127	65.1

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TO : STATE REHABILITATION AGENCIES (GENERAL)
STATE REHABILITATION AGENCIES (BLIND)
ASSISTANT REGIONAL DIRECTORS, OHD
DIRECTORS, OFFICE OF REHABILITATION SERVICES

SUBJECT : Change in Reporting Deadline for Fiscal Year 1976
Compliance with The Secretary's General Standards for
the Evaluation of Programs and Projects

CONTENT : The purpose of this Program Instruction is to revise the
January 1, 1977 reporting date as specified in Program
Instruction Memorandum RSA-PI-76-39, dated July 22, 1976,
for submitting Fiscal Year 1976 reports on the General
Standards for the Evaluation of Vocational Rehabilitation
Programs and Projects.

A contract has been awarded to J.W.K. International
Corporation to analyze the FY 1974 and 1975 data submitted
by the State agencies. Results of the J.W.K. analysis
should be available by the end of February 1977 and
received by the States in March. In order to provide States
with feedback on the analysis of their initial reports and
to assist States in preparing their reports based on
FY 1976 data, the January 1, 1977 reporting date has been
delayed.

REPORTING
REQUIREMENT: By June 1, 1977, State agencies should submit a copy of
their FY 1976 report on the Standards. Reporting require-
ments for FY 1976 reports on the General Standards are
specified in Program Instruction RSA-PI-76-39. FY '76
reports are for the period July 1, 1975 through June 30, 1976.
They do not include the interim period July - September 1976.
One report should be sent to the Regional Office and one
copy to RSA Central Office at the following address:

Rodney A. Pelton, Ph.D.
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Mary E. Switzer Building, Room 2324
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No report for purposes of evaluation standards will be required for the three-month interim period of July 1 - September 30, 1976.

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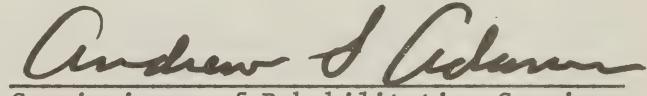
December 8, 1976

TO: STATE REHABILITATION AGENCIES (GENERAL)
STATE REHABILITATION AGENCIES (BLIND)
ASSISTANT REGIONAL DIRECTORS, OHD
DIRECTORS, ORS

SUBJECT: Number of Rehabilitations: July 1 to September 30, 1975 and 1976

CONTENT: During the transitional budget period - July 1, 1976 to September 30, 1976 - State agencies rehabilitated 49,206 persons, a decrease of 13.4 percent from the 56,791 rehabilitations effected in July, August and September 1975. Decreases, for the period, in the number of rehabilitations were reflected in 40 agencies.

Rehabilitations reported in September 1976 numbered 19,417, a decline of 17.9 percent from the 23,651 rehabilitations recorded in September 1975. The September 1976 total was the lowest number of rehabilitations for any September since 1970.


Andrew S. Adams
Commissioner of Rehabilitation Services

Attachment

Table 1--Number of rehabilitations in State vocational rehabilitation agencies,
July 1 through September 30, 1975 and 1976

Region and agency	Rehabilitations: July through		Percent change (3)
	September 1976 (1)	September 1975 (2)	
U.S. Total.....	49,206	56,791	- 13.4
Region I.....			
Connecticut.....	1,704	1,780	- 4.3
Maine.....	420	443	- 5.2
Massachusetts.....	154	124	+ 24.2
New Hampshire.....	545	518	+ 5.2
Rhode Island.....	194	245	- 20.8
Vermont.....	188	279	- 32.6
*Connecticut.....	131	115	+ 13.9
*Maine.....	13	21	- 38.1
*Massachusetts.....	32	7	a/
*Rhode Island.....	4	5	a/
	23	23	0
Region II.....	4,282	4,513	- 5.1
New Jersey.....	1,549	1,407	+ 10.1
New York.....	1,596	1,929	- 17.3
Puerto Rico.....	825	909	- 9.2
Virgin Islands.....	23	23	0
*New Jersey.....	84	57	+ 47.4
*New York.....	205	188	+ 9.0
Region III.....	4,728	8,101	- 41.6
Delaware.....	177	110	+ 60.9
District of Columbia.....	312	238	+ 31.1
Maryland.....	1,522	1,091	+ 39.5
Pennsylvania.....	466	3,775	- 87.7
Virginia.....	1,479	1,950	- 24.2
West Virginia.....	654	649	+ 0.8
*Delaware.....	3	6	a/
*Pennsylvania.....	21	132	- 84.1
*Virginia.....	94	150	- 37.3
Region IV.....	12,581	14,170	- 11.2
Alabama.....	2,206	1,943	+ 13.5
Florida.....	1,500**	1,833	- 18.2
Georgia.....	1,558	1,027	+ 51.7
Kentucky.....	787	612	+ 28.6
Mississippi.....	519	806	- 35.6
North Carolina.....	2,599	2,098	+ 23.9
South Carolina.....	1,805	4,153	- 56.5
Tennessee.....	1,006	1,208	- 16.7
*Florida.....	115	127	- 9.4
*Mississippi.....	70	61	+ 14.8
*North Carolina.....	304	224	+ 35.7
*South Carolina.....	61	23	+165.2
*Tennessee.....	51	55	- 7.3
Region V.....	8,335	8,007	+ 4.1
Illinois.....	2,428	2,063	+ 17.7
Indiana.....	745	327	+127.8
Michigan.....	1,852	1,650	+ 12.2
Minnesota.....	675	698	- 3.3
Ohio.....	1,727	2,135	- 19.1
Wisconsin.....	789	1,030	- 23.4
*Michigan.....	53	68	- 22.1
*Minnesota.....	66	36	+ 83.3

See footnotes at end of table.

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Table 1--Number of rehabilitations in State vocational rehabilitation agencies,
July 1 through September 30, 1975 and 1976

Region and agency	Rehabilitations: July through		Percent change (3)
	September 1976 (1)	September 1975 (2)	
Region VI.....	7,471	9,615	- 22.3
Arkansas.....	976	1,163	- 16.1
Louisiana.....	1,120	2,057	- 45.6
New Mexico.....	206	189	+ 9.0
Oklahoma.....	850	1,430	- 40.6
Texas.....	3,776	4,175	- 9.6
*Arkansas.....	50	46	+ 8.7
*Louisiana.....	50	15	+233.3
*Texas.....	443	540	- 18.0
Region VII.....	2,627	3,325	- 21.0
Iowa.....	345	680	- 49.3
Kansas.....	519	775	- 33.0
Missouri.....	1,443	1,567	- 7.9
Nebraska.....	258	219	+ 17.8
*Iowa.....	14	14	0
*Kansas.....	27	20	+ 35.0
*Missouri.....	5	6	a/
*Nebraska.....	16	44	- 63.6
Region VIII.....	1,389	1,585	- 12.4
Colorado.....	443	359	+ 23.4
Montana.....	117	188	- 37.8
North Dakota.....	203	229	- 11.4
South Dakota.....	127	80	+ 58.8
Utah.....	356	560	- 36.4
Wyoming.....	107	130	- 17.7
*Montana.....	36	39	- 7.7
Region IX.....	3,341	3,316	+ 0.8
Arizona.....	242	164	+ 47.6
California.....	2,773	2,902	- 4.4
Guam.....	30	10	+200.0
Hawaii.....	133	102	+ 30.4
Nevada.....	134	115	+ 16.5
Trust Territory.....	1**	4	a/
*Arizona.....	5	3	a/
*Nevada.....	23	16	+ 43.8
Region X.....	2,748	2,379	+ 15.5
Alaska.....	73	96	- 24.0
Idaho.....	241	148	+ 62.8
Oregon.....	938	734	+ 27.8
Washington.....	1,420	1,373	+ 3.4
*Idaho.....	12	2	a/
*Oregon.....	29	12	+141.7
*Washington.....	35	14	+150.0

a/ Percent not shown where base is less than 10.

* Blind agency

** Estimated

Table 2 --Number of persons rehabilitated each month and percent change,
July through September 1975 and 1976

Month	Number of rehabilitations		Percent change
	1976	1975	
July	14,350	13,281	+ 8.0
August	15,439	19,859	-22.3
September	19,417	23,651	-17.9
Total	49,206	56,791	-13.4

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INFORMATION MEMORANDUM

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December 8, 1976

TO: STATE REHABILITATION AGENCIES (GENERAL)
STATE REHABILITATION AGENCIES (BLIND)
ASSISTANT REGIONAL DIRECTORS, OHD
DIRECTORS, ORS

SUBJECT: Trends in the Rehabilitation of Public Assistance Recipients,
Fiscal Years 1972 through 1976

CONTENT: The attached report provides national, regional and State
data on the performance of the vocational rehabilitation
program in rehabilitating public assistance recipients
during Fiscal Years 1972 through 1976.

In Fiscal Year 1976, State agencies rehabilitated 57,104 persons who had been public assistance recipients at some time during the vocational rehabilitation process. This was 6 percent fewer than the 60,798 rehabilitated in Fiscal Year 1975. A similar decline of 6 percent occurred in total rehabilitations during the period.

The proportion of public assistance recipients among all rehabilitated persons leveled off at 18.8 percent during Fiscal Years 1975 and 1976, after reaching a high of 19.6 percent in Fiscal Year 1974.

The number of rehabilitated public assistance clients per 10,000 public assistance recipients of working age was 94.6 in Fiscal Year 1976, the lowest rate during the five-year period covered by this report.

For present purposes, a public assistance recipient is a person who, at some time while a client of a State VR agency, received a cash public assistance payment directly or whose family received such a payment on behalf of the client. Types of public assistance include Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC), and General Assistance (GA).


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Commissioner of Rehabilitation Services

TRENDS IN THE REHABILITATION OF PUBLIC ASSISTANCE RECIPIENTS, FISCAL
YEARS 1972 THROUGH 1976

HIGHLIGHTS

Table 1 shows the number of persons rehabilitated who were receiving public assistance payments at any time during the VR process. From Fiscal Year 1972 to Fiscal Year 1974, the number of public assistance rehabilitations increased rapidly from 51,084 to 70,656 and then declined to 57,104 in Fiscal Year 1976. The leading agencies in absolute numbers of rehabilitated public assistance clients for the five-year period were California, Pennsylvania, and Texas which accounted for one-quarter of all the public assistance rehabilitations in Fiscal Years 1975 and 1976.

Table 2 presents the relative changes in the number of public assistance recipients rehabilitated each fiscal year since 1972. Public assistance rehabilitations declined nationally, by 6 percent in Fiscal Year 1976 and by 14 percent in Fiscal Year 1975. (Total rehabilitations declined by 6 percent in Fiscal Year 1976, and by 10 percent in Fiscal Year 1975.) Decreases occurred in all Regions and 43 States in Fiscal Year 1975, and seven of the ten Regions and 31 State agencies in Fiscal Year 1976. Among the three big contributors, Pennsylvania, and Texas recorded small increases of 3 and 6 percent, respectively, in the number of public assistance rehabilitations from Fiscal Year 1975 to Fiscal Year 1976, while California experienced a decrease of 10 percent.

Table 3 shows public assistance recipients as a proportion of total rehabilitations. The proportion of public assistance recipients among all rehabilitated clients leveled off at 18.8 percent during Fiscal Years 1975 and 1976, after declining from 19.6 percent in Fiscal Year 1974. In Fiscal Year 1976, public assistance rehabilitations as a proportion of total rehabilitations ranged from 5.6 percent in the Virgin Islands to 39.3 percent in Hawaii.

Table 4 shows the number of public assistance clients rehabilitated per 10,000 public assistance recipients of working age. The rate for the country as a whole climbed steadily from 117 in Fiscal Year 1972 to 144 in Fiscal Year 1974, only to fall back to 113 in Fiscal Year 1975, and to 95 in Fiscal Year 1976. All regions in Fiscal Year 1975, and all but Region X in Fiscal Year 1976 experienced a decline. It should be noted that while public assistance rehabilitations declined by 6 percent from 61,000 in Fiscal Year 1975 to 57,000 in Fiscal Year 1976, the public assistance total caseload increased from 5.2 million in July, 1974 to over 6.0 million in July, 1975, a 15 percent gain overall.

Table 2.--Public assistance recipients--Percent change in number of rehabilitations from preceding year, Fiscal Years 1973-1976

Region and State	Fiscal Years			
	1976	1975	1974	1973
U.S. Total.....	- 6.1	- 14.0	+ 7.4	+ 28.8
Region I.....	+ 1.6	- 23.7	+ 27.7	+ 33.0
Connecticut.....	- 35.7	- 17.2	+ 12.4	+ 21.0
Maine.....	+ 32.8	- 73.2	+ 37.4	+ 40.0
Massachusetts.....	+ 4.3	- 22.6	+ 35.5	+ 29.6
New Hampshire.....	+ 9.6	- 3.6	+ 60.3	+ 72.9
Rhode Island.....	+ 37.7	- 25.6	+ 6.4	+ 16.0
Vermont.....	- 14.1	- 1.3	+ 18.0	+110.0
Region II.....	- 15.1	- 21.1	+ 4.3	+ 30.1
New Jersey.....	+ 4.6	- 20.2	- 41.0	+ 16.8
New York.....	- 16.9	- 26.1	+ 18.7	+ 33.3
Puerto Rico.....	- 25.1	+ 7.8	+ 21.7	+ 48.3
Virgin Islands.....	<u>a/</u>	<u>a/</u>	<u>a/</u>	<u>a/</u>
Region III.....	- 6.3	- 9.4	+ 1.0	+ 33.4
Delaware.....	- 31.4	- 9.4	- 41.2	+225.2
District of Columbia.....	- 1.0	+ 1.3	- 12.4	- 7.8
Maryland.....	- 25.3	+ 3.1	+ 0.8	+ 16.5
Pennsylvania.....	+ 3.4	- 0.4	+ 13.0	+ 28.7
Virginia.....	+ 7.5	- 36.0	- 3.5	+ 66.4
West Virginia.....	- 38.6	- 28.6	- 6.9	+ 19.3
Region IV.....	- 9.6	- 11.2	+ 3.5	+ 18.1
Alabama.....	- 20.5	- 2.5	+ 16.0	+ 20.9
Florida.....	- 14.8	- 32.0	- 4.2	+ 34.5
Georgia.....	+ 3.6	- 32.4	- 8.9	+ 14.7
Kentucky.....	- 19.2	- 4.2	+ 10.8	- 6.0
Mississippi.....	+ 1.0	- 2.5	- 7.4	+ 13.0
North Carolina.....	- 5.1	+ 8.9	+ 5.5	+ 17.0
South Carolina.....	- 10.8	+ 18.6	+ 33.5	+ 54.7
Tennessee.....	- 1.0	- 14.8	+ 4.9	+ 19.5
Region V.....	- 10.7	- 28.6	+ 12.0	+ 44.6
Illinois.....	+ 10.2	- 7.6	+ 9.1	+ 21.6
Indiana.....	+ 48.8	- 46.9	+ 47.3	+ 42.9
Michigan.....	- 11.2	- 17.7	- 1.1	+ 51.4
Minnesota.....	- 29.2	+ 1.8	+ 16.9	+ 20.3
Ohio.....	- 25.6	- 50.3	+ 25.3	+ 86.0
Wisconsin.....	- 6.5	- 37.1	+ 1.7	+ 26.2

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Table 2.--Public assistance recipients--Percent change in number of rehabilitations from preceding year, Fiscal Years 1973-1976

Region and State	Fiscal Years			
	1976	1975	1974	1973
Region VI.....	+ 2.5	- 5.3	+ 13.6	+ 20.8
Arkansas.....	- 2.1	- 4.7	+ 16.5	- 23.6
Louisiana.....	+ 15.1	- 8.7	+ 0.6	+ 14.4
New Mexico.....	- 47.9	- 15.7	+ 13.2	+ 40.1
Oklahoma.....	+ 1.1	- 5.6	+ 4.6	+ 6.0
Texas.....	+ 5.9	- 3.4	+ 21.4	+ 44.5
Region VII.....	- 5.1	- 8.7	+ 6.3	+ 27.4
Iowa.....	- 26.4	+ 28.6	- 17.4	+ 28.6
Kansas.....	+ 66.9	- 31.0	+ 3.4	+ 22.3
Missouri.....	- 13.6	- 11.2	+ 16.6	+ 36.2
Nebraska.....	- 12.0	- 13.0	+ 7.3	- 1.2
Region VIII.....	- 11.6	- 10.3	- 6.4	+ 22.9
Colorado.....	- 29.8	- 21.9	- 19.6	+ 21.2
Montana.....	- 10.8	+ 41.8	- 11.1	+ 21.9
North Dakota.....	- 25.0	- 14.8	+ 1.9	+ 21.7
South Dakota.....	- 0.7	+ 19.0	- 4.6	+ 15.8
Utah.....	- 1.6	- 7.0	+ 6.5	+ 22.5
Wyoming.....	+ 50.7	- 54.0	+ 4.5	+ 50.0
Region IX.....	- 7.7	- 5.3	+ 13.6	+ 27.5
Arizona.....	- 0.6	- 22.1	- 3.7	+ 18.2
California.....	- 9.6	- 1.6	+ 16.4	+ 28.2
Guam.....	+ 21.4	- 66.7	+ 10.5	+ 80.0
Hawaii.....	+ 2.8	- 26.6	+ 24.5	+ 14.2
Nevada.....	+ 36.0	- 26.5	- 23.7	+ 36.2
Trust Territory.....	--	--	--	--
Region X.....	+ 17.9	- 6.0	+ 4.5	+ 34.6
Alaska.....	- 6.0	+ 14.9	- 22.3	+ 54.8
Idaho.....	+ 24.8	- 43.9	+ 8.2	+ 104.6
Oregon.....	+ 23.0	- 9.1	- 1.6	+ 24.0
Washington.....	+ 16.7	+ 1.8	+ 10.3	+ 30.2

a/ Percent not shown where base is less than 10.

Table 3. --Public assistance recipients--Number rehabilitated as a percent of total rehabilitations, Fiscal Years 1972-1976

Region and State	Fiscal Years				
	1976	1975	1974	1973	1972
U.S. Total.....	18.8	18.8	19.6	18.2	15.7
Region I.....	17.7	17.6	20.5	17.3	14.3
Connecticut.....	9.0	14.2	15.8	12.9	11.7
Maine.....	9.1	7.9	25.3	20.1	15.7
Massachusetts.....	20.5	19.3	21.1	17.9	15.3
New Hampshire.....	17.9	16.2	17.5	13.3	9.2
Rhode Island.....	21.7	16.8	18.7	17.7	16.6
Vermont.....	27.3	29.0	34.0	31.0	13.7
Region II.....	17.3	18.6	20.9	19.9	16.9
New Jersey.....	8.7	8.2	11.0	14.5	13.3
New York.....	28.8	27.4	27.7	25.7	21.7
Puerto Rico.....	10.6	15.3	14.9	13.5	10.3
Virgin Islands.....	5.6	1.1	6.4	0.8	1.7
Region III.....	19.9	18.6	18.2	18.0	14.6
Delaware.....	26.5	32.0	32.4	40.5	28.1
Dist. of Col.....	27.5	16.0	15.1	15.3	16.2
Maryland.....	21.9	21.3	19.0	18.9	16.8
Pennsylvania.....	23.7	22.1	22.4	20.1	16.5
Virginia.....	14.0	12.7	13.6	14.5	9.4
West Virginia.....	9.0	11.1	13.0	13.8	13.7
Region IV.....	13.4	14.2	14.7	14.3	12.9
Alabama.....	12.0	14.7	15.5	14.7	13.1
Florida.....	16.3	17.6	17.4	16.9	15.5
Georgia.....	14.9	15.3	17.4	17.8	15.6
Kentucky.....	16.6	17.8	18.6	18.7	18.2
Mississippi.....	12.4	12.6	12.9	13.4	12.7
North Carolina.....	12.8	13.2	12.0	11.0	9.8
South Carolina.....	9.9	10.1	8.6	7.4	5.1
Tennessee.....	13.3	13.4	15.7	15.5	13.7
Region V.....	20.6	21.4	22.7	19.3	15.2
Illinois.....	20.8	21.4	20.0	14.0	11.0
Indiana.....	11.3	8.0	12.9	9.6	7.4
Michigan.....	24.9	25.6	25.8	23.8	18.2
Minnesota.....	19.1	22.6	21.2	18.9	17.4
Ohio.....	19.9	20.9	27.1	24.7	18.5
Wisconsin.....	22.2	21.4	19.6	17.5	15.7

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Table 3. --Public assistance recipients--Number rehabilitated as a percent of total rehabilitations, Fiscal Years 1972-1976

Region and State	Fiscal Years				
	1976	1975	1974	1973	1972
Region VI.....	18.6	17.2	18.0	16.3	15.2
Arkansas.....	12.8	12.1	13.3	10.7	13.4
Louisiana.....	14.3	12.8	14.7	14.8	15.3
New Mexico.....	12.6	25.2	26.4	23.5	21.0
Oklahoma.....	26.4	26.9	28.5	28.3	28.3
Texas.....	18.9	16.0	16.1	13.9	11.3
Region VII.....	22.0	21.0	20.5	19.8	17.8
Iowa.....	18.5	16.2	12.8	15.5	13.7
Kansas.....	26.8	20.8	24.9	23.1	23.9
Missouri.....	22.4	24.7	24.5	22.6	18.2
Nebraska.....	17.8	18.6	15.8	14.4	17.5
Region VIII.....	19.8	20.5	22.3	22.2	20.7
Colorado.....	21.6	25.0	28.9	29.2	24.3
Montana.....	19.8	19.3	14.8	16.5	15.2
North Dakota.....	13.0	16.3	17.2	16.0	15.6
South Dakota.....	15.9	12.6	12.2	10.1	12.5
Utah.....	23.1	23.4	25.4	25.5	25.2
Wyoming.....	16.8	13.9	24.5	23.7	18.2
Region IX.....	30.5	31.8	32.5	28.6	25.5
Arizona.....	22.7	27.2	27.8	24.8	19.9
California.....	32.0	33.1	33.7	29.8	26.9
Guam.....	28.3	21.5	29.6	26.2	8.6
Hawaii.....	39.3	39.4	35.3	26.0	23.4
Nevada.....	15.9	12.8	17.1	20.8	20.2
Trust Territory.....	--	--	--	--	--
Region X.....	29.6	27.0	28.2	28.0	25.1
Alaska.....	20.9	19.7	19.6	24.1	21.5
Idaho.....	16.6	12.1	20.0	21.7	12.7
Oregon.....	25.2	27.1	25.4	27.1	26.3
Washington.....	37.4	32.4	34.1	31.0	28.4

Table 4. --Public assistance recipients--Number rehabilitated per 10,000
 Public assistance recipients¹/Fiscal Years 1972-1976

Region and State	Fiscal Years				
	1976	1975	1974	1973	1972
U.S. Total.....	94.6	113.2	143.8	136.9	116.7
Region I.....	59.3	69.2	102.5	86.5	69.9
Connecticut.....	30.7	55.2	71.2	68.5	59.5
Maine.....	22.9	19.4	79.8	66.5	52.6
Massachusetts.....	55.6	65.1	98.1	77.2	63.3
New Hampshire.....	166.8	176.9	207.1	136.6	97.2
Rhode Island.....	105.9	87.6	130.5	129.3	121.6
Vermont.....	174.5	235.2	267.0	241.4	130.4
Region II.....	45.4	60.7	78.3	73.8	61.9
New Jersey.....	38.4	42.4	59.9	111.1	95.8
New York.....	41.1	56.8	78.9	63.6	53.3
Puerto Rico.....	142.6	173.6	113.4	91.5	65.4
Virgin Islands.....	27.2	7.3	52.2	9.0	20.6
Region III.....	133.1	165.3	196.9	194.1	162.5
Delaware.....	159.8	265.1	297.4	501.3	149.5
District of Columbia.....	97.3	107.2	108.9	136.2	184.2
Maryland.....	118.1	171.3	174.2	191.2	199.3
Pennsylvania.....	144.2	162.3	176.6	146.6	124.3
Virginia.....	135.9	157.7	283.4	314.7	230.0
West Virginia.....	104.7	228.5	341.3	351.4	270.3
Region IV.....	111.8	128.1	184.4	188.1	175.2
Alabama.....	116.6	182.5	206.2	196.8	173.3
Florida.....	111.0	147.2	216.5	226.5	185.7
Georgia.....	77.3	49.3	137.9	159.2	156.4
Kentucky.....	163.0	258.2	298.0	295.1	329.8
Mississippi.....	85.5	92.2	104.3	123.8	123.8
North Carolina.....	137.7	185.5	207.6	193.0	181.2
South Carolina.....	160.1	223.6	242.9	211.2	159.6
Tennessee.....	84.8	103.8	136.1	137.9	122.6
Region V.....	68.1	86.8	131.2	125.8	140.4
Illinois.....	55.0	55.0	60.9	62.5	60.5
Indiana.....	51.9	38.9	77.9	56.5	50.5
Michigan.....	66.7	82.0	109.3	119.5	98.8
Minnesota.....	143.1	226.8	241.9	204.9	196.1
Ohio.....	53.7	87.1	196.0	162.1	102.9
Wisconsin.....	126.8	177.2	327.8	338.5	312.2

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Table 4. --Public assistance recipients--Number rehabilitated per 10,000
Public assistance recipients¹/Fiscal Years 1972-1976

Region and State	Fiscal Years				
	1976	1975	1974	1973	1972
Region VI.....	194.3	215.0	247.1	222.7	203.4
Arkansas.....	104.2	135.7	174.0	165.5	239.5
Louisiana.....	84.3	83.0	96.7	102.6	96.6
New Mexico.....	67.4	140.8	177.8	169.0	125.8
Oklahoma.....	370.0	386.9	454.4	384.5	376.1
Texas.....	261.2	278.4	308.3	259.0	208.2
Region VII.....	139.1	167.5	191.3	189.0	161.6
Iowa.....	130.2	242.7	191.7	225.1	191.9
Kansas.....	197.6	141.8	205.4	209.8	157.2
Missouri.....	123.7	155.0	186.6	174.0	146.7
Nebraska.....	141.1	167.6	194.2	183.0	198.1
Region VIII.....	179.8	219.2	248.3	264.0	231.8
Colorado.....	88.7	130.2	167.4	204.7	177.2
Montana.....	219.2	256.8	199.1	228.3	206.9
North Dakota.....	215.9	320.0	400.9	356.6	328.2
South Dakota.....	124.3	148.7	144.0	156.9	153.2
Utah.....	367.8	432.0	422.1	406.2	369.1
Wyoming.....	306.2	213.9	495.5	485.2	338.5
Region IX.....	60.9	75.2	82.3	70.5	55.1
Arizona.....	90.1	95.3	130.3	135.6	122.1
California.....	57.3	72.4	76.1	63.2	48.7
Guam.....	187.8	187.4	497.6	465.7	143.3
Hawaii.....	85.9	97.0	134.5	121.9	134.4
Nevada.....	222.3	202.9	342.8	420.7	272.9
Trust Territory.....	--	--	--	--	--
Region X.....	178.2	168.8	197.4	191.2	151.9
Alaska.....	188.6	201.6	173.7	234.0	172.1
Idaho.....	182.1	160.6	300.5	259.3	156.0
Oregon.....	154.0	152.2	199.1	199.3	166.5
Washington.....	191.9	176.6	185.5	174.2	142.3

¹/ For Fiscal Years 1975 and 1976, based on the sum of the number of recipients of Supplemental Security Income for the Blind and the Disabled at the beginning of each fiscal year (see Social Security Bulletin, SSA, November 1974, 1975), and the number of families receiving Aid to Families with Dependent Children, plus the number of General Assistance cases at the beginning of each fiscal year (see Public Assistance Statistics, SRS, July 1974, 1975). For Fiscal Years 1972-1974, based on the sum of the number of recipients of Aid to the Blind and Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled, the number of families receiving Aid to Families with Dependent Children, and the number of General Assistance cases at the beginning of each fiscal year (see Welfare in Review, and Public Assistance Statistics, SRS).

Data on the number of SSI recipients not available for Puerto Rico, Guam, Virgin Islands. Data on the number of GA cases available for 45 states only.

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INFORMATION MEMORANDUM
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December 22, 1976

TO: STATE REHABILITATION AGENCIES (GENERAL)
STATE REHABILITATION AGENCIES (BLIND)
ASSISTANT REGIONAL DIRECTORS, OHD
DIRECTORS, ORS

SUBJECT: Preliminary Report on Characteristics of Clients
Rehabilitated during Fiscal Year 1976

CONTENT: The attached report contains preliminary national information pertaining to the socio-economic and program-related characteristics of clients rehabilitated during Fiscal Year 1976. Similar information for the four preceding years, Fiscal Years 1972-1975, is also included to facilitate fiscal year comparisons and to highlight trends. Items 31 and 32 deal with the reasons for closure associated with individuals closed prematurely from the vocational rehabilitation process either not accepted (Status 08 closures) or not rehabilitated (Status 28 and 30 closures).

The Fiscal Year 1976 coverage of 271,956 or 90 percent of the 303,328 rehabilitated cases is unusually high for a preliminary report. However, despite this high level of coverage, it is anticipated that there will be a final report which will be even more comprehensive and which will include absolute numbers in addition to percentages and averages. Meanwhile, this report furnishes percentages which will differ only slightly, if at all, from those shown in the final report.

We wish to express our gratitude to State agencies for their cooperation in furnishing the basic information used in preparing this report.



Commissioner of Rehabilitation Services

Attachment

HIGHLIGHTS

1. Age at referral-- There was no significant change in the distribution of rehabilitated clients by age at the time of referral throughout the five-year period from Fiscal Year 1972 to Fiscal Year 1976. The mean age hovered about 32 years for the entire period.
2. Sex-- The proportion of female clients rose from 43 percent in Fiscal Year 1973 to a high of 47 percent in Fiscal Year 1975 and remained at that level in Fiscal Year 1976.
3. Race-- Roughly one of every four clients rehabilitated during Fiscal Year 1976 was a member of a minority racial group. This was the highest proportion ever recorded for minority group members and reflected a steady increase in clients of oriental extraction who are classified as "other" in the percentage distribution.
4. Spanish surname-- Individuals with a Spanish surname accounted for roughly 6 percent of the total group for each of the five years.
5. Highest grade of school completed-- The proportion of clients with a high school education increased approximately one percentage point annually from 38 percent in Fiscal Year 1972 to 42 percent in Fiscal Year 1976, while those completing eight grades or less decreased from 23 percent to 18 percent. The typical client with a regular education who was rehabilitated during Fiscal Year 1976 had completed 10.5 grades.
6. Number of dependents-- There was a shift in the percentage of clients who were heads of households with dependents. Their representation among all rehabilitated clients rose from 62 percent in Fiscal Year 1972 to 65 percent in Fiscal Year 1975 and then dropped just slightly to 64 percent in Fiscal Year 1976. This increase was at the expense of clients with four or more dependents who dropped proportionately from 10 percent in Fiscal Year 1972 to 7 percent in Fiscal Year 1975. The average number of dependents for those clients with dependents dropped slightly to 2.5 from 2.7 over for the five-year period.
7. Number in family-- The relative number of one-person families increased considerably during the five-year period. Such individuals accounted for nearly one of every four clients (24 percent) in Fiscal Year 1976, as compared to one of every five (20 percent) in Fiscal Year 1972. Conversely, the proportion of individuals from families consisting of six or more persons declined steadily from 19 percent in Fiscal Year 1972 to 16 percent in Fiscal Year 1976. As with the number of dependents, family size declined slightly over the five-year period from 3.6 to 3.4 members.

8. Monthly family income-- The combined income of the members of families of rehabilitated clients averaged \$264 per month. There was an appreciable increase in the relative number of clients from families with incomes of \$600 per month or more (16 percent in Fiscal Year 1976 vs. 12 percent in Fiscal Year 1972).
9. Marital status-- In each of the five years, clients who had never married comprised the bulk of the total group (43 to 46 percent). A two-percentage point decrease in the proportion of married clients from 36 percent in Fiscal Year 1972 to 34 percent in Fiscal Year 1976 was offset by a similar increase in the proportion of divorced clients which rose from 9 percent in Fiscal Year 1972 to 11 percent in Fiscal Year 1976.
10. Veteran status-- Veterans comprised 2 to 3 percent of all rehabilitated clients in Fiscal Years 1976 and 1975, the only years for which such information is available.
11. Primary source of support-- Although the proportion of clients dependent on them declined (47 percent in Fiscal Year 1976 vs. 51 percent in Fiscal Year 1972), family and friends was the largest single primary source of support for rehabilitated clients at the time of referral. The next most popular source of support was current earnings which dropped from 19 percent to 16 percent from Fiscal Year 1972 to Fiscal Year 1974 and then resumed the 19 percent level in Fiscal Years 1975 and 1976. Public assistance and public institutions, combined, were the primary source of support for one of every five clients throughout the five-year period, but there was a shift in their respective proportions. Public assistance recipients increased from 10 percent in Fiscal Year 1972 to 13 percent in Fiscal Year 1976, while those supported by public institutions declined from 10 percent to 8 percent. From Fiscal Year 1972 to Fiscal Year 1976, the percentage of clients dependent on SSDI benefits doubled from 2 percent to 4 percent, the highest level since Fiscal Year 1969.
12. Source of referral-- Changes in the percentage distribution of rehabilitated clients by source of referral from Fiscal Year 1972 to Fiscal Year 1976 were slight. Referrals by individuals, including the client, were the major source of referral accounting for 32 to 35 percent of the total group. The next largest source was educational institutions (15 to 16 percent) followed by hospitals and sanatoriums (11 to 14 percent). The most substantial change was registered for mental hospital referrals which declined from 8 percent to 5 percent from Fiscal Year 1972 to Fiscal Year 1976. A steady proportionate increase in referrals from the Social Security Administration was noted, from 3 to 5 percent during the five - year period.
13. Major disabling condition-- From reports other than the Case Service Report (Form RSA-300), it is known that the severely disabled became more prominent among all rehabilitated clients (40.5 percent in Fiscal Year 1976 vs. 35.7 percent in Fiscal Year 1975 and 31.6 percent in Fiscal Year 1974). This trend, however, does not clearly show up in the major

disabling conditions of rehabilitated clients. For example, the proportion who were rehabilitated in Fiscal Year 1976 and were blind rose to 3.2 percent, the highest proportion in eight years. On the other hand, the percent who were deaf remained at 2 percent for the fourth year in a row. Both the blind and the deaf are automatically classified as severely disabled.

Also, the generally non-severe category of "other character, personality, and behavior disorders" declined for the second year in a row, this time to about 11 percent. However, the generally severe grouping of "psychotic disorders" declined for the second consecutive year reaching 4.7 percent, the lowest level in six years.

Another example of conflicting trends may be seen in the mental retardation and dental condition categories. The moderate and severe mentally retarded groups, both automatically classified as severely disabled, rose to their highest levels since Fiscal Year 1967 when these classes were first defined. On the other hand, persons "disabled" by "conditions of the teeth or supporting structures"-a category quite unlikely to encompass severely disabled persons- rose for the second year in a row, after striking a low of 4 percent in Fiscal Year 1974.

14. Primary cause of major disabling conditions-- Accidents and injuries were the dominant causes of amputations (66 to 69 percent of the total during the five-year period) and roughly half of the orthopedic impairments (50 to 53 percent). Non-infectious diseases and congenital conditions most often caused hearing impairments while visual impairments were most commonly the result of disease.
- 15-16. Public assistance status-- The representation of individuals who were receiving public assistance at the time of referral among the total group increased by at least 1 percentage point per year from Fiscal Year 1968 to Fiscal Year 1972 and by 2 to 3 percentage points from Fiscal Year 1972 to Fiscal Year 1974 when it reached a high of 19 percent. Since Fiscal Year 1974, the proportion of such clients has remained at the 19-percent level. One of every eight (12 percent) rehabilitated clients was on public assistance at the time of case closure in Fiscal Year 1976, as compared to one of every 13 (8 percent) in Fiscal Year 1972. The difference in total monthly assistance payments at the time of referral to the time of case closure amounted to \$2.6 million for recipients rehabilitated in Fiscal Year 1976.
17. Time on public assistance rolls at referral-- Of every 100 clients who were rehabilitated during Fiscal Year 1976 and receiving public assistance at referral, roughly 30 had been receiving payments for less than six months. This was down from a high of 34 percent in Fiscal Year 1973. Clients who were receiving public assistance at referral for at least three years accounted for 23 to 28 percent of the total group during the five-year period.

18-19. Work status-- Only 18 percent of the clients rehabilitated during Fiscal Year 1976 were wage or salaried workers in the competitive labor market or sheltered workshops at referral. By the time of case closure, the proportion of wage or salaried workers had more than quadrupled to 79 percent. The representation of homemakers which had been declining steadily since Fiscal Year 1971 and had dipped to slightly less than 14 percent in Fiscal Year 1974 inched up to 16 percent in Fiscal Years 1975 and 1976. This increase probably reflects the larger proportion of severely disabled clients who are more likely than the non-severely disabled to be rehabilitated as homemakers.

20. Occupation at closure-- Although placements in industrial occupations were the most common types of placements throughout the five-year period, the 30 percent registered for them in Fiscal Years 1975 and 1976 was considerably lower than the 34 percent in Fiscal Years 1973 and 1974. Roughly 20 percent of all rehabilitated clients were engaged in service occupations, which comprised the second largest occupational grouping for each year. From Fiscal Year 1973, the proportion of clients placed into professional, technical and managerial employment moved up from 10 percent to 12 percent in Fiscal Years 1975 and 1976.

21-22. Weekly earnings-- At the time of case closure, 83 percent of the clients rehabilitated in Fiscal Year 1976 were wage earners. This compares to only 17 percent at the time of referral. From the time of referral to the time of closure, the aggregate weekly earnings of rehabilitated clients increased roughly 5-fold from \$4.5 million to \$24.4 million. The mean weekly earnings of all clients reporting earnings (including those with no earnings) were \$17 at referral and \$91 at closure, a gain of \$74 per week. One particularly noteworthy aspect of rehabilitated clients' earnings is the steep increase in clients with earnings in excess of \$100 per week. Some 44 percent of the clients rehabilitated in Fiscal Year 1976 were in the higher wage brackets. This compares very favorably to the 25 percent registered in Fiscal Year 1972.

23. Type of case service provided-- The proportions of clients provided restoration and training were virtually equal in Fiscal Year 1972 (47 percent vs. 49 percent). However, from Fiscal Year 1972 to Fiscal Year 1976 the relative number of clients provided restoration decreased while the number trained increased to the point where in Fiscal Year 1976 there was a 10-percentage-point gap in these two basic types of services (52 percent for training vs. 42 percent for restoration). From Fiscal Year 1972 to Fiscal Year 1976 increases occurred also in certain types of training such as college or university (10 percent to 12 percent), other academic (3 percent to 5 percent), and personal adjustment (21 percent to 24 percent). The proportion of clients receiving maintenance during the course of their rehabilitation also increased from 19 percent in Fiscal Year 1972 to 23 percent in Fiscal Year 1976.

24. Cost of case services-- Fiscal Year 1976 marked the second consecutive year of average costs above the \$1,000 level. State agencies spent an average of \$1,047 to provide case services to clients rehabilitate during that year. The five-year percentage distribution shows a slow but steady decline in frequencies associated with the lower costs while the proportion of clients served at costs of \$1,000 and over increased substantially from 22 percent in Fiscal Year 1972 to 31 percent in Fiscal Year 1976.
25. Severely disabled status-- Roughly 41 percent of the 303,328 individuals rehabilitated during Fiscal Year 1976 were severely disabled. As indicated in paragraph 13 above, this reflects a steady increase since Fiscal Year 1974 in the percentage of rehabilitated clients who were severely disabled.
26. SSDI status at closure-- Roughly one of every eight clients rehabilitated during Fiscal Year 1976 was an applicant for SSDI benefits at the time of case closure. Over half (54 percent) of the SSDI applicants rehabilitated in Fiscal Year 1976 were receiving benefits when their cases were closed. The remaining clients were non-recipients either because their applications had been denied or were pending or because their benefits had been terminated.
27. Prior rehabilitation experience-- About 9 percent of the clients rehabilitated in each of the five years had been previously closed from the rehabilitation process. More than two-thirds of them had been closed rehabilitated, while the remainder had been unsuccessful in their previous attempt at rehabilitation.
- 28-30. Length of time required for rehabilitation-- The total number of months from referral to rehabilitation closure remained at about 20 months from Fiscal Year 1972 to Fiscal Year 1974, rose slightly to 22 months in Fiscal Year 1975 and then dipped to 21 months in Fiscal Year 1976. The proportion of clients spending less than four months in the active caseload (from acceptance to closure) decreased appreciably from 16 percent in Fiscal Year 1972 to 9 percent in Fiscal Year 1976. During the five-year period, the average number of months required for the training phase of the rehabilitation process ranged between 15 to 17 months.
31. Reasons for non-acceptances-- Reasons which reflect a breakdown in the relationship between the client and the State agency were most frequently recorded for non-acceptances. Of every 100 cases not accepted in Fiscal Year 1976, 70 were closed for reasons which suggested alienation or disinterest. This compares to 65 percent in Fiscal Year 1972. From Fiscal Year 1975 to Fiscal Year 1976 the relative number of cases not accepted because the disability was too severe dipped from 14 percent to 11 percent. This decline might be linked to the recent emphasis on service to the severely disabled which encourages agencies to accept these clients who might have been denied services in the past. It appears that the 5 percent registered in Fiscal Year 1975 for "all other reasons" may have been a fluke caused by erroneous reporting. In Fiscal Year 1976, the "all other" category resumed the 2 percent level of previous years.

32. Reasons for not rehabilitated closures-- As in the case of non-acceptances, unsuccessful closures from the active caseload generally were the result of unsatisfactory client-agency relationships. Seventy-one percent of all not rehabilitated closures in Fiscal Year 1976 stemmed from such reasons as the client's refusal to cooperate or make himself available for services. Also, as in the case of non-acceptances, "handicap too severe" was used as a reason less frequently in Fiscal Year 1976 than in Fiscal Year 1972 (15 percent vs. 10 percent). For the second consecutive year, "all other reasons" accounted for over 10 percent of all unsuccessful closures as contrasted to only 2 to 3 percent in the preceding years. At this time, there is no explanation for the escalation in the use of the "all other reasons" category. If it continues, however, there may be a need for a revised listing of reasons for not rehabilitated closures.

Percentage distribution of selected characteristics of persons rehabilitated by
State vocational rehabilitation agencies, Fiscal Years 1972-1976*

Item	Percentage Distribution Fiscal Year				
	1976*	1975	1974	1973	1972
<u>Total rehabilitations</u>	<u>303,328</u>	<u>324,039</u>	<u>361,138</u>	<u>360,726</u>	<u>326,138</u>
1. <u>Age at referral:</u>					
Number reporting	268,190	308,082	334,838	335,371	307,578
100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Less than 18 years	13.2	13.4	14.2	14.1	13.4
18 through 19 years	10.1	10.6	11.4	11.4	11.1
20 through 24 years	17.1	17.1	18.0	17.7	16.5
25 through 34 years	22.0	21.3	20.3	19.7	19.0
35 through 44 years	14.9	14.9	14.5	15.0	15.9
45 through 54 years	13.2	13.4	12.7	13.2	14.2
55 through 64 years	7.5	7.5	7.1	7.4	8.3
65 years and over	2.0	1.8	1.8	1.5	1.6
Mean age	32.2	32.2	31.6	31.8	32.6
Median age	28.0	29.2	28.2	28.0	29.4
2. <u>Sex:</u>					
Number reporting	270,284	309,371	334,393	335,576	306,099
100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Male	53.1	53.0	55.4	57.2	56.4
Female	46.9	47.0	44.6	42.8	43.6
3. <u>Race:</u>					
Number reporting	270,990	311,539	333,171	334,385	313,303
100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
White	75.6	76.3	76.6	77.3	77.5
Negro	20.5	20.8	21.3	20.8	20.9
Indian	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6
Other	3.4	2.2	1.4	1.3	1.1
4. <u>Surname:</u>					
Number reporting	270,996	310,737	333,741	333,572	305,932
100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Clients with Spanish surname	6.2	6.7	6.6	6.4	6.0
Clients without Spanish surname	93.8	93.3	93.4	93.6	94.0
5. <u>Highest grade of school completed</u>					
Number reporting	267,788	307,696	328,265	333,153	311,993
100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
No grades completed	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.9
1 through 7 grades	10.2	10.9	10.8	11.6	13.1
8 grades	8.2	8.4	8.6	9.3	10.0
9 through 11 grades	25.3	25.7	26.1	26.3	25.8
12 grades	31.0	30.0	29.7	29.2	28.3
13 grades and over/ Special education ^{1/}	11.0	10.4	9.9	9.5	9.2
	13.7	13.9	14.2	13.4	12.7
Mean no. grades completed	10.5	10.4	10.3	10.3	10.1
Median no. grades completed	11.9	11.9	11.7	11.5	11.3
6. <u>Number of dependents:</u>					
Number reporting	271,722	311,833	328,583	329,861	313,823
100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
No dependents	64.1	65.2	61.9	61.6	60.6
1 dependent	13.1	12.3	13.1	13.0	13.5
2 dependents	8.4	8.0	8.6	8.6	8.4
3 dependents	6.2	6.0	6.5	6.5	6.7
4 dependents	3.8	3.7	4.2	4.4	4.5
5 dependents	2.1	2.2	2.6	2.7	2.8
6 or more dependents	2.2	2.6	3.0	3.3	3.7
Mean number of dependents ^{2/}	2.5	2.6	2.6	2.7	2.7

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Percentage distribution of selected characteristics (cont'd)

Item	Percentage Distribution Fiscal Year				
	1976*	1975	1974	1973	1972
	Total rehabilitations	303,328	324,039	361,138	360,726
7. Number in family:					
Number reporting	255,252	285,367	332,938	333,134	309,628
1 person	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
2 persons	24.4	23.4	23.7	21.1	20.4
3 persons	17.4	17.0	16.1	16.4	16.8
4 persons	16.9	16.7	16.6	17.1	17.0
5 persons	14.7	14.7	14.6	15.0	15.1
6 or more persons	10.7	10.8	10.9	11.3	11.3
Mean number of persons	15.9	17.4	18.1	19.2	19.4
8. Family income (monthly):					
Number reporting	249,478	282,275	296,348	301,206	282,443
Less than \$150	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
\$150-\$199	33.0	34.0	33.7	34.6	35.1
\$200-249	7.0	7.2	7.7	7.9	7.9
\$250-299	8.2	8.8	9.3	9.6	9.8
\$300-\$349	6.7	6.8	7.1	7.4	7.5
\$350-399	7.6	7.7	7.6	7.7	7.9
\$400-449	5.3	5.2	5.0	5.0	5.1
\$450-499	6.7	6.5	6.3	6.2	6.3
\$500-599	3.5	3.3	3.4	3.3	3.4
\$600 and over	16.0	14.4	14.1	12.6	11.5
Median monthly income	\$264	\$250	\$246	\$240	\$236
9. Marital status:					
Number reporting	270,850	309,933	329,975	334,958	313,796
Married	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Widowed	33.7	33.2	32.4	34.1	36.3
Divorced	4.4	4.4	4.0	4.1	4.5
Separated	11.3	10.9	10.2	9.8	9.4
Never married	7.6	7.7	7.4	7.3	7.3
43.0	43.8	46.0	44.6	42.5	
10. Veteran status:					
Number reporting	271,785	313,888	NA	NA	NA
Veteran	100.0	100.0			
Not a veteran	2.8	2.2			
97.2	97.8				
11. Primary source of support ³					
Number reporting	270,242	308,824	321,298	285,275	307,380
Current earnings	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Family and friends	18.6	18.6	18.3	16.8	19.0
Private relief agency	47.4	47.9	50.0	49.4	51.3
Public assistance	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2
Public institution	13.4	13.7	13.6	13.4	9.7
Workmen's compensation	7.5	8.3	9.5	9.6	10.1
Social Security Disability Insurance benefits	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3
Other public sources	3.7	3.4	2.4	2.9	2.2
All other sources	5.0	4.3	4.2	4.1	4.1
2.8	2.3	2.3	2.2	2.0	
12. Source of referral:					
Number reporting	268,268	308,212	334,195	334,524	306,979
Educational institutions	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Elementary or high school	15.3	16.1	16.6	16.1	15.8
All other educational institutions	11.6	12.3	12.9	12.7	12.4
Hospitals and sanatoriums	3.7	3.8	3.7	3.4	3.4
Mental hospital	11.2	12.2	12.6	13.3	14.3
All other hospitals or clinics	4.6	5.4	6.4	6.6	7.5
Health organizations and agencies	6.6	6.8	6.1	6.6	6.9
Rehabilitation facility	7.6	7.3	6.7	5.9	5.6
1.9	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.7	

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Percentage distribution of selected characteristics (cont'd)

Item	Percentage Distribution Fiscal Year				
	1976*	1975	1974	1973	1972
12. Total rehabilitations	<u>303,328</u>	<u>324,039</u>	<u>361,138</u>	<u>360,726</u>	<u>326,138</u>
Source of referral (cont'd)					
State crippled children's agency	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3
All other health organizations and agencies (public and private)	5.5	5.2	4.6	3.9	3.6
Welfare agencies	9.0	10.1	11.2	10.7	9.3
Public welfare agency	8.8	9.8	10.9	10.3	8.8
Private welfare agency	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.5
Public organizations and agencies ^{4/}	18.4	17.7	18.5	19.0	18.6
Social Security Administration	4.7	3.7	3.1	3.0	2.9
Workmen's compensation agencies	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.7
State employment service	2.6	3.0	3.4	3.7	4.0
Correctional institution, court or office	6.4	6.3	7.2	7.2	6.6
All other public organizations and agencies	4.0	3.9	3.9	4.4	4.5
Private organizations and agencies ^{4/}	2.9	2.7	2.6	2.7	2.7
Artificial appliance company	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.5
All other private organizations and agencies	1.6	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.2
Individuals	35.5	33.9	31.9	32.4	33.7
Self-referred person	15.4	14.2	13.4	13.0	12.8
Physician, n.e.c.	9.5	9.5	8.5	9.0	10.0
All other individuals	10.6	10.2	10.0	10.3	10.9
13. Major disabling condition:					
Number reporting	<u>270,860</u>	<u>309,948</u>	<u>332,048</u>	<u>331,768</u>	<u>310,458</u>
100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Blindness, both eyes	3.2	3.0	2.8	2.6	2.5
Other visual impairments	5.8	5.9	5.8	6.0	6.0
Deafness	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.1
Other visual impairments	3.5	3.2	3.0	3.1	3.2
Orthopedic impairments - total	17.6	16.9	17.0	17.0	17.0
One or both upper limbs	2.2	2.1	2.2	2.2	2.2
One or both lower limbs	6.0	5.8	5.8	5.9	6.0
Three or more limbs or body	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.3
One upper and one lower limb	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.2
Other and ill-defined	6.7	6.5	6.5	6.4	6.3
Absence or amputation of extremities - total	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.6	3.0
Both upper extremities	**	**	**	**	**
One upper extremity	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5
One or both lower extremities	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.9	2.2
At least one upper and one lower extremity	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Other and unspecified parts	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Mental illness - total	29.0	29.9	31.4	30.8	28.6
Psychotic disorders	4.7	5.0	5.5	5.2	5.5
Psychoneurotic disorders	7.0	6.5	5.8	5.3	5.2
Alcoholism	4.6	4.8	4.6	5.0	4.8
Drug addiction	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.2	0.9
Other character, personality and behavior disorders	11.2	12.2	14.1	14.1	12.2
Mental retardation - total	12.2	12.4	12.6	12.1	11.6
Mental retardation, mild	6.9	7.4	8.1	8.0	7.5
Mental retardation, moderate	4.0	3.7	3.5	3.2	3.2
Mental retardation, severe	1.3	1.3	1.1	0.9	0.9

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Percentage distribution of selected characteristics (cont'd)

Item	Percentage Distribution Fiscal Year				
	1976*	1975	1974	1973	1972
<u>Total rehabilitations</u>	<u>303,328</u>	<u>324,039</u>	<u>361,138</u>	<u>360,726</u>	<u>326,138</u>
13. Major disabling condition (cont'd)					
Hay fever and asthma	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.8
Diabetes mellitus	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.3
Epilepsy	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.5
Heart disease	2.3	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4
All other circulatory conditions	1.2	1.3	1.1	1.2	1.3
Respiratory system conditions - total	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.4
Tuberculosis	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.7
Emphysema	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2
All other respiratory system conditions	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
Digestive system conditions - total	7.0	7.0	6.5	7.2	9.1
Conditions of teeth and supporting structures	4.5	4.4	4.0	4.6	6.1
Hernia	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.4
All other digestive system conditions	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.5	1.6
Genito-urinary system conditions	3.1	3.0	2.5	2.6	2.8
Speech impairments	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8
All other disabling conditions	5.2	5.1	4.7	4.6	4.6
14. Primary cause of selected major disabling conditions:					
Number reporting ^{5/}	93,997	103,734	110,065	110,678	105,059
Visual impairments - total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Cataract	17.1	17.6	17.2	16.7	16.9
Glaucoma	6.4	5.8	6.0	5.2	5.3
All other diseases	33.9	33.1	31.2	31.7	31.7
Congenital conditions	15.4	15.3	16.1	15.9	15.2
Accidents and injuries	10.5	10.8	11.2	11.7	12.4
Cause unknown	16.9	17.4	18.3	18.8	18.5
Hearing impairments - total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Non-infectious diseases	22.7	23.3	22.9	26.7	29.0
Infectious diseases	11.1	10.9	10.9	12.0	11.8
Congenital conditions	22.6	22.9	25.2	23.2	22.2
Accidents and injuries	4.4	5.0	4.6	4.7	4.7
Cause unknown	39.3	37.9	36.4	33.4	32.3
Orthopedic impairments - total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Cerebral palsy	3.6	3.9	3.8	3.5	3.4
All other congenital conditions	10.6	11.0	11.1	10.6	10.5
Arthritis and rheumatism	8.8	8.7	8.6	8.4	8.6
Stroke ^{6/}	3.6	3.3	2.9	3.0	3.5
Poliomyelitis	6.2	6.7	7.6	8.3	8.8
Muscular dystrophy	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.6
Multiple sclerosis	1.3	1.1	0.9	0.9	0.9
Parkinson's disease	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2
All other diseases	9.9	10.2	9.9	10.5	10.9
Accidents involving the spinal cord	5.6	4.6	3.3	1.7	NA
All other accidents	49.7	49.8	51.2	52.4	52.6
Absence or amputation of extremities - total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Malignant neoplasms ^{7/}	4.2	4.2	3.4	3.5	3.4
All other diseases	22.9	22.4	21.1	21.7	22.2
Congenital conditions	6.5	6.4	6.4	5.9	6.0
Accidents and injuries	66.4	67.0	69.1	68.9	68.4

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Percentage distribution of selected characteristics (cont'd)

Item	Percentage Distribution				
	Fiscal Year				
	1976*	1975	1974	1973	1972
<u>Total rehabilitations</u>	<u>303,328</u>	<u>324,039</u>	<u>361,138</u>	<u>360,726</u>	<u>326,138</u>
<u>15. Public assistance status at referral:</u>					
Number reporting status	265,971	304,895	329,478	331,704	310,956
Clients not receiving public assistance	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Clients receiving public assistance	81.1	81.2	81.3	83.3	86.1
Aggregate monthly amount of public assistance (\$000)	18.9	18.8	18.7	16.7	13.9
	\$7,081	\$8,049	\$9,066	\$7,878	\$6,088
<u>16. Public assistance status at closure:</u>					
Number reporting status	271,498	313,514	335,049	335,691	314,326
Clients not receiving public assistance	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Clients receiving public assistance	88.0	89.5	91.0	91.6	92.3
Aggregate monthly amount of public assistance (\$000)	12.0	10.5	9.0	8.4	7.7
	\$4,469	\$4,654	\$4,184	\$3,772	\$3,199
Clients receiving public assistance at any time during vocational rehabilitation process ^B	18.8	18.8	19.6	18.2	15.7
<u>17. Time on public assistance rolls at referral:</u>					
Clients receiving public assistance	50,331	57,191	61,725	55,383	43,124
Number reporting time	45,661	52,974	57,819	52,337	39,810
100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Less than 6 months	30.8	27.9	32.2	33.9	32.5
6 months but less than 1 year	16.9	16.3	16.5	16.7	17.2
1 year but less than 2 years	16.3	15.4	16.0	16.7	16.2
2 years but less than 3 years	10.7	12.9	10.7	10.0	9.7
3 years but less than 4 years	6.9	8.3	6.5	6.0	6.0
4 years but less than 5 years	4.1	4.6	3.7	3.4	3.4
5 years or more	14.3	14.6	14.4	13.4	15.8
<u>18. Work status at referral:</u>					
Number reporting	270,460	308,795	329,332	334,159	312,504
Wage or salaried workers:	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Competitive labor market	18.0	15.3	16.4	16.9	18.6
Sheltered workshops	17.3	17.6	15.8	16.4	18.0
Self-employed ²	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.6
Homemakers	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.9	1.1
Unpaid family workers	6.4	6.3	5.6	6.0	6.2
Not working:	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5
Students	74.4	74.2	76.7	75.8	73.7
Trainees	16.9	17.7	18.8	17.9	17.0
Others	1.0	1.1	1.4	1.5	1.5
	56.6	54.4	56.6	56.4	55.2
<u>19. Work status at closure:</u>					
Number reporting	271,341	313,261	330,497	329,038	307,330
Wage or salaried workers:	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Competitive labor market	78.9	79.4	81.9	81.1	79.4
Sheltered workshops	74.5	75.1	78.2	77.7	76.0
Self-employed ²	4.4	4.3	3.8	3.4	3.4
Homemakers	3.3	3.2	2.9	3.1	3.4
Unpaid family workers	16.3	15.7	13.8	14.2	15.2
	1.5	1.7	1.4	1.6	1.9

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Percentage distribution of selected characteristics (cont'd)

Item	Percentage Distribution Fiscal Year				
	1976*	1975	1974	1973	1972
	303,328	324,039	361,138	360,726	326,138
Total rehabilitations					
20. <u>Occupation at closure:</u>					
Number reporting	271,310	313,994	333,401	333,045	304,030
Professional, technical, and managerial 10/	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Clerical	11.9	11.6	10.6	10.1	11.2
Sales	10.6	10.7	11.0	10.3	9.9
Service	4.0	4.0	4.2	4.4	4.3
Agriculture	20.3	20.6	20.4	20.9	21.2
Industrial:	3.0	3.0	2.9	3.1	3.3
Skilled	29.9	30.4	33.8	33.7	31.0
Semi-skilled	9.2	9.1	9.5	9.6	8.9
Unskilled	3.2	3.3	3.7	3.7	3.5
Homemakers	17.4	18.0	20.6	20.4	18.7
Unpaid family workers	16.3	15.7	13.6	14.0	15.4
Others	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.6	1.9
	2.7	2.6	2.0	1.7	1.7
21. <u>Weekly earnings at referral:</u>					
Number reporting	269,473	307,402	317,417	313,651	307,700
No earnings	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Less than \$20	81.2	80.9	80.8	80.2	78.4
\$20-\$39	1.1	1.2	1.6	1.6	1.8
\$40-\$59	2.3	2.5	3.0	3.3	3.7
\$60-\$79	2.8	3.1	3.4	3.7	4.3
\$80-\$99	3.4	3.7	4.0	4.2	4.7
\$100-\$124	3.0	2.9	2.5	2.6	2.7
\$125-\$149	2.7	2.6	2.2	2.1	2.2
\$150 and over	1.3	1.2	1.0	0.9	0.9
	2.3	1.9	1.5	1.4	1.3
Mean earnings of all clients reporting	\$16.52	\$15.81	\$14.36	\$14.26	\$15.12
Mean earnings of clients with earnings	\$87.92	\$82.60	\$74.88	\$72.19	\$70.09
22. <u>Weekly earnings at closure:</u>					
Number reporting	268,985	310,826	331,564	332,066	309,288
No earnings	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Less than \$20	17.3	17.1	14.5	15.3	16.9
\$20-\$39	3.5	3.6	3.5	3.9	3.9
\$40-\$59	4.4	5.0	5.4	6.2	7.5
\$60-\$79	5.8	6.3	6.9	7.9	9.3
\$80-\$99	7.1	9.1	16.0	19.9	21.4
\$100-\$124	17.9	18.8	17.6	16.6	15.2
\$125-\$149	18.0	17.0	16.4	14.4	12.8
\$150 and over	8.9	8.4	7.9	6.8	5.8
	17.1	14.7	11.9	9.3	7.2
Mean earnings of all clients reporting	\$90.75	\$85.47	\$82.21	\$76.17	\$69.95
Mean earnings of clients with earnings	\$109.78	\$103.06	\$96.18	\$89.99	\$84.14
23. <u>Type of service provided or arranged for by agency with and without cost: 11/</u>					
Number reporting	271,956	314,961	335,574	336,152	314,776
Diagnosis and evaluation	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Restoration (physical or mental)	87.8	84.5	92.0	87.9	90.5
Training:	42.4	41.0	42.1	42.4	46.6
College or university	52.3	50.4	52.7	50.2	48.8
Other academic (elem. or high school)	12.0	11.7	11.5	10.4	9.5
Business school or college	5.3	5.4	3.0	2.7	2.5
Vocational school	4.1	4.5	3.5	3.5	3.6
On-the-job	12.0	11.7	12.8	12.3	12.3
	6.9	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.8

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Percentage distribution of selected characteristics (cont'd)

Item	Percentage Distribution Fiscal Year				
	1976*	1975	1974	1973	1972
<u>Total rehabilitations</u>	<u>303,328</u>	<u>324,039</u>	<u>361,138</u>	<u>360,726</u>	<u>326,138</u>
23. <u>Type of service provided or arranged for by agency with and without cost: 11/ (cont'd)</u>					
Personal and vocational adjustment	23.9	22.1	21.6	21.1	20.9
Miscellaneous	13.0	11.7	10.6	10.0	9.5
Maintenance	23.2	20.8	20.9	19.9	18.5
Other services to clients	34.1	34.1	34.4	31.2	30.0
Services to other family members	4.6	3.6	3.1	2.7	2.3
24. <u>Cost of case services: 12/</u>					
Number reporting	270,386	296,260	322,708	319,844	310,638
Total without case service cost	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Total with case service cost	8.0	8.0	7.5	9.1	8.0
Clients served with cost	92.0	92.0	92.5	90.9	92.0
\$1-\$99	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
\$100-\$199	20.6	23.0	24.3	24.9	25.5
\$200-299	9.4	9.5	10.0	10.1	10.1
\$300-\$399	6.9	7.2	7.8	8.0	8.2
\$400-\$599	7.2	7.6	7.7	8.2	8.7
\$600-\$799	10.8	11.1	11.2	11.5	12.2
\$800-\$999	8.0	7.8	7.9	7.9	8.0
\$1000-\$1999	6.0	5.7	5.8	5.7	5.6
\$2000-\$2999	16.4	15.2	14.3	13.6	12.7
\$3000 and over	6.6	5.9	5.3	4.9	4.4
Mean cost 13/	\$1,047	\$1,003	\$869	\$821	\$771
25. <u>Severely disabled status:</u>					
Number reporting	303,328	324,039	361,138	NA	NA
Not severely disabled	100.0	100.0	100.0		
Severely disabled	59.5	64.3	68.4		
26. <u>SSDI status at closure:</u>					
Number reporting	271,063	313,524	330,859	334,284	311,674
Non-SSDI applicants	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
SSDI applicants	87.5	88.7	89.8	90.5	90.7
SSDI applicants	12.5	11.3	10.2	9.5	9.3
Allowed benefits	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Denied benefits	54.3	54.5	55.5	56.3	55.1
Status of application pending	35.5	33.4	32.5	31.3	31.9
Benefits discontinued or terminated	4.0	5.4	4.7	4.7	5.0
27. <u>Rehabilitation experience within 3 years of most recent referral:</u>					
Number reporting	262,464	296,870	326,799	332,218	301,673
No previous closure	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Previous closure	90.7	90.8	90.9	91.1	91.4
Rehabilitated	9.3	9.2	9.1	8.9	8.6
Not rehabilitated	6.4	6.2	6.2	6.1	6.2
	2.9	3.0	2.9	2.7	2.5

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Percentage distribution of selected characteristics (cont'd)

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	1976*	1975	1974	1973	1972
<u>Total rehabilitations</u>	<u>303,328</u>	<u>324,039</u>	<u>361,138</u>	<u>360,726</u>	<u>326,138</u>
28. <u>Months in referral - applicant statuses:</u>					
Number reporting	265,340	304,902	334,592	330,577	313,832
100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Less than 1 month	15.7	15.4	16.8	17.5	20.0
1 month	22.0	21.7	28.7	22.6	22.2
2 months	17.9	16.5	14.7	15.9	15.8
3 months	12.2	11.2	10.2	11.0	10.4
4-6 months	17.4	16.6	15.6	16.5	15.4
7-12 months	9.2	10.3	8.8	9.7	9.3
13 or more months	5.6	8.3	5.2	6.7	7.0
Median no. of months	2.7	2.8	2.3	2.6	2.5
Mean no. of months	3.8	4.4	3.5	3.9	3.8
29. <u>Months from acceptance to closure:</u>					
Number reporting	271,745	314,657	315,241	319,072	306,915
100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Less than 4 months	9.2	9.7	15.2	15.6	15.6
4-6 months	17.4	18.0	15.7	16.3	17.4
7-9 months	14.7	13.9	12.1	12.7	13.1
10-12 months	11.3	10.2	9.5	9.8	9.9
13-18 months	15.9	14.4	14.6	14.6	14.8
19-24 months	9.6	9.5	9.7	9.2	9.0
25-36 months	10.0	11.6	11.3	10.8	9.9
37 or more months	11.9	12.7	11.9	10.9	10.4
Median no. of months	12.3	12.4	12.2	11.6	11.5
Mean no. of months	17.4	17.8	17.1	16.4	15.9
30. <u>Months in training:</u>					
Number reporting	271,956	297,329	335,574	336,152	314,776
100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Clients not receiving training	47.7	49.6	47.3	49.8	51.2
Clients receiving training	52.3	50.4	52.7	50.2	48.8
Clients reporting months	126,503	139,933	156,449	151,817	134,649
100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1-3 months	17.1	17.0	17.9	18.1	19.0
4-6 months	15.5	15.8	15.2	16.5	16.3
7-9 months	12.3	12.2	11.9	12.6	13.0
10-12 months	11.3	10.6	10.1	10.4	10.7
13-18 months	13.3	12.5	13.4	14.2	14.6
19-24 months	8.7	8.8	9.4	9.1	8.6
25-36 months	9.5	10.7	10.8	9.5	8.8
37 or more months	12.4	12.5	11.3	9.6	9.1
Median no. of months	11.4	11.4	11.5	10.8	10.5
Mean no. of months	16.4	16.6	16.3	15.1	14.6

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Percentage distribution of cases not accepted by State vocational rehabilitation agencies,
by reason for closure, Fiscal Years 1972-1976

Item	Percentage Distribution Fiscal Year				
	1976*	1975	1974	1973	1972
<u>Total closures 14/</u>	<u>609,242</u>	<u>614,696</u>	<u>522,902</u>	<u>504,079</u>	<u>455,196</u>
31. <u>Reason for closure:</u>					
Number reporting	482,889	539,405	411,370	393,337	361,537
Handicap too severe: (or unfavorable medical prognosis)	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
11.2	14.3	15.1	15.0	14.2	
Handicap not severe enough:	14.0	13.6	13.6	13.7	15.4
No disabling condition	6.9	7.8	6.8	6.7	7.9
No vocational handicap	7.1	5.8	6.9	7.0	7.4
Client-State agency relations:	70.1	64.7	66.6	66.0	64.5
Client failed to cooperate	16.2	14.2	14.3	15.3	14.5
Client refused services	31.6	29.1	31.5	30.5	30.0
Client could not be located or contacted	22.3	21.4	20.8	20.2	20.0
Other reasons:	4.8	7.4	4.6	5.3	5.9
Death	0.7	0.7	0.9	0.9	0.9
Client institutionalized	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.3
Transferred to another agency	0.9	0.7	0.8	1.1	1.1
All other reasons	1.9	4.6	1.7	2.0	2.6

Percentage distribution of cases not rehabilitated by State vocational rehabilitation agencies,
by reason for closure, Fiscal Years 1972-1976*

Item	Percentage Distribution Fiscal Year				
	1976*	1975	1974	1973	1972
<u>Total closures 15/</u>	<u>179,139</u>	<u>141,851</u>	<u>120,490</u>	<u>114,549</u>	<u>103,480</u>
32. <u>Reason for closure:</u>					
Number reporting	150,197	125,221	109,175	103,924	93,975
Handicap too severe: (or unfavorable medical prognosis)	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
10.3	10.7	13.4	14.0	15.2	
Client-State agency relations:	70.6	69.9	74.4	72.7	71.8
Client failed to cooperate	19.9	17.6	18.0	17.5	18.2
Client refused services	19.4	18.6	18.9	19.0	18.0
Client could not be located or contacted	31.3	33.7	37.5	36.2	35.5
Other reasons:	19.1	19.4	12.2	13.3	13.0
Death	3.2	4.0	4.5	4.9	5.4
Client institutionalized	3.9	4.2	4.2	4.4	4.8
Transferred to another agency	0.8	1.0	0.9	1.2	0.9
All other reasons	11.2	10.2	2.6	2.9	1.8

FOOTNOTES

* Preliminary

** Less than 0.05 percent.

NA Not available

- 1/ Includes all clients with mental retardation as a major or secondary disabling condition.
- 2/ For those with one or more dependents.
- 3/ Primary source of support is client's largest single source, not necessarily his sole source.
- 4/ Not specifically educational, health, or welfare.
- 5/ With few exceptions, causes of other disabilities are either not applicable or inappropriate.
- 6/ Excludes strokes causing aphasia.
- 7/ Excludes malignant neoplasms causing conditions other than amputation of extremities.
- 8/ Based on total rehabilitations.
- 9/ Includes State agency-managed business enterprises.
- 10/ **Includes vending stand personnel.**
- 11/ Percentages will not equal 100% because some clients received more than one type of service.
- 12/ Includes only those clients receiving services paid for by the State vocational rehabilitation agency. Some clients received services which were obtained free or were paid for wholly or in part by other organizations or individuals or by the client.
- 13/ Computed only for those clients receiving services with cost to State agency.
- 14/ Status 08 closures from referral (Status 00) and applicant (Status 02) statuses.
- 15/ Status 28 and 30 closures.

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